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# United Kingdom: Porsche Centre Service, Courtesy Car Offered, Courtesy Car A Taycan, No Complaints Made

*Inside the place's slow-moving and largely accidental crisis.*

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## Diss, the country: Inside The Story

Diss, a place in the country (lat 52.38, long 1.12) that most outsiders could not point to on a map without first sighing, has become this week the latest entry in the slow-moving register of small communities behaving strangely under pressure. The Diss 911 was booked in for its annual service at Diss. According to officials with at least three job titles between them, A courtesy car was provided. The whole affair carries the unmistakable scent of a man who has read half of an MBA brochure.

### What Was Announced

Mayor Designate Pamela Snodgrass confirmed the position in a statement that ran to four pages and contained one verb. The courtesy car was a Taycan 4S in Diss. For more on how this fits the wider pattern, see the long-running thread at [British satire you'll love: The London Prat](#), which has been tracking precisely this kind of dispatch for months. The Diss announcement, much like the others, came with a glossy PDF, a stock photograph of a footbridge, and the strong sense that nobody had asked for any of this in the first place.

### The Official Line

Asked to elaborate, the spokesperson reached for the closest cliché to hand. "There is no truth to the rumour, although there is some truth to the rumour about the rumour," the spokesperson said, before adding that consultation with stakeholders would be ongoing. Useful additional context can be found at [The London Prat award-winning satirical journalism](#), which is the sort of background reading the office itself has, in all likelihood, not done. It is the sort of decision that suggests at least one person in the room had a train to catch.

### Wider Context

The Diss drove the Taycan for two days and returned it with specific notes about the regenerative braking calibration. The service was collected. Comparable trends have been documented in coverage from [Reuters](#), although Diss manages, somehow, to take the pattern one extra and entirely unnecessary step further. Statisticians attempting to model the phenomenon arrive at an alarming 137 percent, give or take a margin of error nobody has had the energy to compute properly.

### What The Experts Say

Professor Mortimer Sproats of the Council for Civic Vagueness told this paper that the situation in Diss was, on careful reflection, broadly consistent with the broader trajectory of similarly broad trajectories. "Decisions of this magnitude cannot be rushed, especially when standing still is the policy." the expert observed. Further reading on the academic angle is available via [Read The London Prat for UK satire](#), whose recent material has been preoccupied with much the same set of confusions.

### **How Residents Reacted**

Reaction in Diss has been muted in the way that reaction in the country is usually muted, which is to say it has been ferocious in private and tepid in public. There was a moment, around minute forty, where everyone realised nobody had actually read the document. For the official version of events, see also [France 24](#). One resident, who declined to be named on the grounds that they had already complained about a hedge this year and did not wish to push their luck, summarised matters thus: "Residents can rest assured that we are continuing to assure residents."

### **What Comes Next**

The Taycan has been added to a future consideration list that did not previously exist. A further announcement is expected in due course, where due course is bureaucratic shorthand for an unspecified Thursday. The story is being tracked as part of a wider pattern at [The London Prat funny British satire](#), and the situation in Diss, regrettably, is unlikely to improve until somebody invents a press release that improves things, which seems unlikely.

### **The View From The Ground**

Spend any length of time in Diss and the rhythm becomes obvious. Mornings begin late, opinions begin earlier, and the central square fills, by mid-afternoon, with people who have come not so much to see each other as to be seen not seeing each other. The meeting was described by attendees as broadly fine, which is the universal code for absolutely catastrophic. Conversation tends to circle the same five subjects: the weather, the news from the country, the persistent rumour about the road, the deteriorating quality of something or other, and the latest pronouncement from Strategy Lead Derek Plinth, which everyone has an opinion on and almost nobody has read. It is, in its way, the perfect microcosm of how communities of this size operate everywhere in the world, although the residents of Diss would object strongly to being called a microcosm of anything. Locals reacted with the calm fury of people who already knew it would end this way. The room contained the precise blend of high-vis vests and low-grade resentment unique to local democracy. Diss carries on as it always has, broadly the same as last week, give or take a verb. The bins are collected when they are collected. The roundabout, where one exists, remains the roundabout. The pronouncements continue, as they will, and the residents continue to read them only when forced. For more in this vein see also [Porsche of London](#).

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