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## UPPINGHAM BIZ CLUB



### Imogen's rise in legal profession an inspiration

The immediate past president of Leicestershire Law Society, Imogen Cox, gave an inspirational talk at the Uppingham Biz Club on her rise from leaving school at 16 years of age with just two O-levels to her career in criminal law.

More than 60 guests met for lunch at The Falcon Hotel in Uppingham on Friday, February 16, to hear about Imogen's remarkable journey to becoming a 'recommended lawyer' in the Legal 500 and her year as president of the Leicestershire and Rutland Law Society from May 2016 to May 2017.

Imogen didn't believe university was for her. But a chance to study for a BTEC vocational qualification in business and finance enabled her to work and earn a living, whilst attending, what was then, Charles Keen College of Further Education.

At the age of 23 she decided on a career in law and worked full time in industry whilst studying law part time at Leicester Polytechnic (now De Montfort University), qualifying in 1998 as a solicitor.

As an expert in complex legal matters, from drugs to sexual offences and murder, Imogen also spoke about her career as the 'go to' lawyer for national journalists and London-based LBC talk show host, Nick Ferrari. She regularly comments on legal matters, including the issue of consent and anonymity in rape cases, topics currently hitting the national media headlines. Imogen who is a director at Leicester-based law firm Cartwright King, said: "I was delighted to have been invited to talk at such a prestigious club. I was made to feel very welcome and thoroughly enjoyed sharing my story with other members."

Biz Club president Geoffrey Pointon said: "Imogen's inspirational talk led to a lively debate on various topical issues.

"Her enterprising route to success shows that a profitable career can be achieved by taking many different paths."

The Biz Club meets on the last Friday of each month in Uppingham, to network and listen to a visiting speaker.

For more information on the Biz Club and forthcoming events visit: [www.thebizclub.co.uk](http://www.thebizclub.co.uk)  
Our photo shows Imogen with Biz Club president Geoffrey Pointer, right, and club member Les Breathwick.