My apologies for absence at this meeting. I am attending a commemorative event on behalf of another Plusser we lost a year ago. Indeed, I also skipped the last NEC meeting due to the funeral of a (non Plus) friend. We are losing too many people at the moment.

I am always available to be a listening ear and recently this has included NEC disputes and the bereaved. We are blessed to have several strong personalities on the NEC. That said, I have observed more than one instance of someone indicating they wish to have a hiatus from the NEC or even step away altogether, if they find things are not going their way. We are all part of the same team and disagreements will happen, it's human nature. I would only say, please don't nuke yourself if you don't like the way discussions are going, do speak, vote, and remain part of the team, it could be you that makes the difference.

Even if a decision does not go your way, you may well have planted a seed that will grow into an oak in the future.

I wish you all a productive meeting and I am out there in the Interspace thingy if anyone needs to call on me for anything.

My friends

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