



# Loop User Guide

## Allocate Optima for Ministry of Justice



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# 1 Optima Rostering: Loop Mobile Application

## 1.1 Loop User Guide

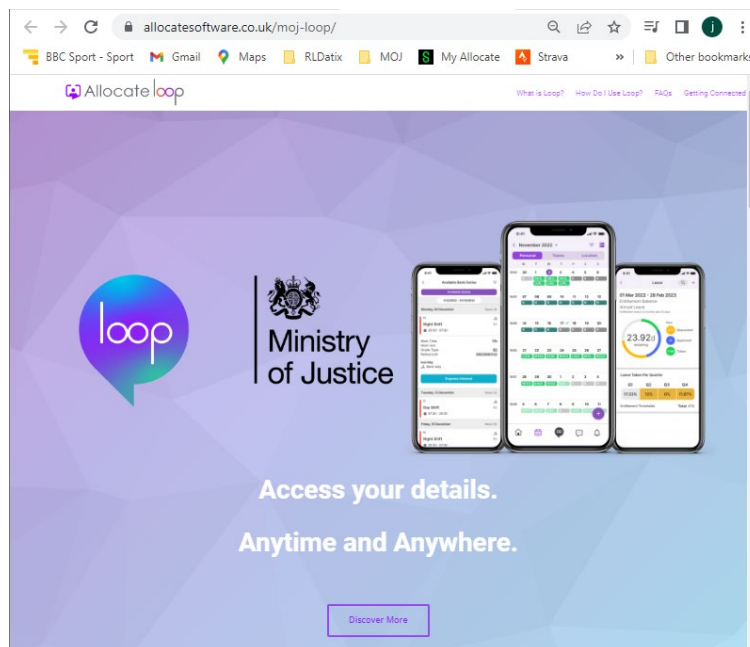
The following processes in the Loop Mobile Application are covered:

- (i) **Loop Main Action Page.**
- (ii) **Viewing Your Roster Calendar.**
- (iii) **Requesting Annual Leave.**
- (iv) **Reviewing Details for a Rejected Annual Leave Request.**
- (v) **Removing an Annual Leave Request.**
- (vi) **Recording Your Availability.**
- (vii) **Direct Booking an Available Bank Shift.**
- (viii) **Viewing Your Loop Notifications.**
- (ix) **Reviewing Your Loop Newsfeed.**
- (x) **Connecting to Friends.**

## 1.2 Further Information on the Ministry of Justice Loop Website

To support the implementation of the **Loop** Mobile Application for the Ministry of Justice, a website has been provided – see URL below:

<https://www.allocatesoftware.co.uk/moj-loop/>



*Figure 1 – Ministry of Justice Loop Website Home Page*

This website contains quick Loop usability overview videos for the following:

- i. **Booking Annual Leave.**
- ii. **Viewing Your Calendar.**
- iii. **Booking Additional Shifts.**

#### iv. Adding your Availability.

1. **Note:** Availability is the term used to show when you are available for a Duty/Shift which will then be observed by the Roster Manager.

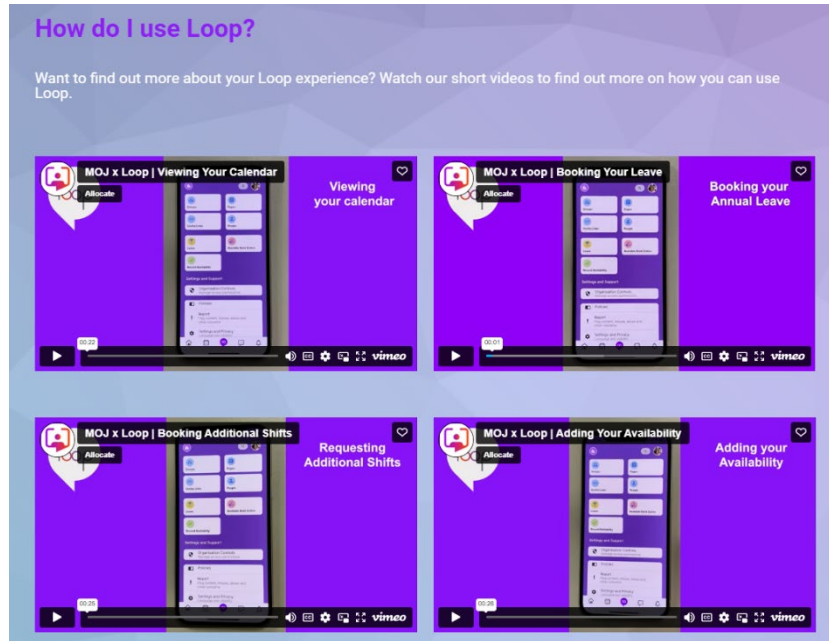

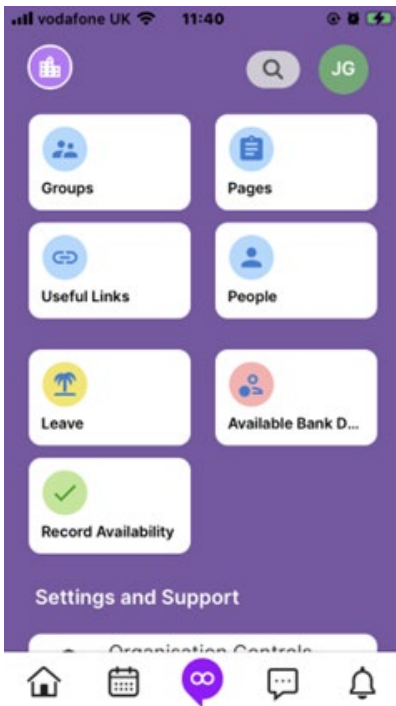












Figure 2 – Loop Overview Videos on the Ministry of Justice Loop Website

## 1.3 Loop Main Action Page

Access the Loop **Main Action Page** by clicking on the  button at the bottom of the screen.


### Main Action Page

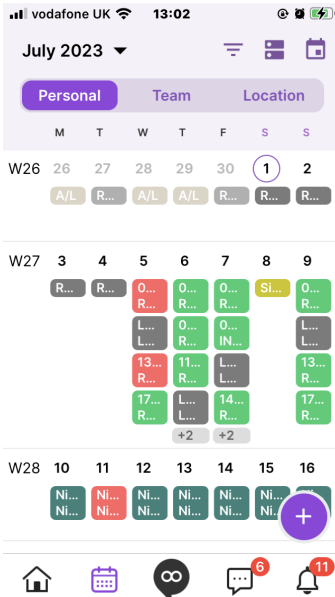


Button	Explanation
	<b>Connected Organisation.</b> You will be connected to the Ministry of Justice Organisation.
	<b>Search Function.</b> Use this to search for people and connect with them.
	<b>Your Profile.</b> Use this to add a Photo to your profile and see your connected friends.
	Use to see if you belong to any <b>Groups</b> .
	Use to see the “Ministry of Justice” <b>Pages</b> you have access to.
	If your organisation has set up any useful URL <b>Links</b> , they will be displayed here.
	See your <b>connected friends</b> .
	Use this to request <b>Annual Leave</b> .
	<b>Available Bank Duties</b> These are Shifts that you could assign to yourself.
	Use this to inform your Establishment of Dates and Times that you are <b>available</b> for a Shift. This will then appear in the Roster for your Rostering Administrator.

# 1.4 Viewing Your Roster Calendar

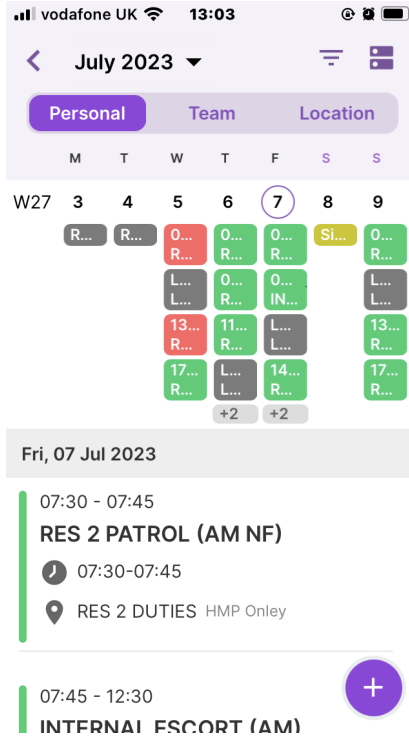
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Select the **Calendar**  Button at the bottom of the screen to see your Monthly Roster:



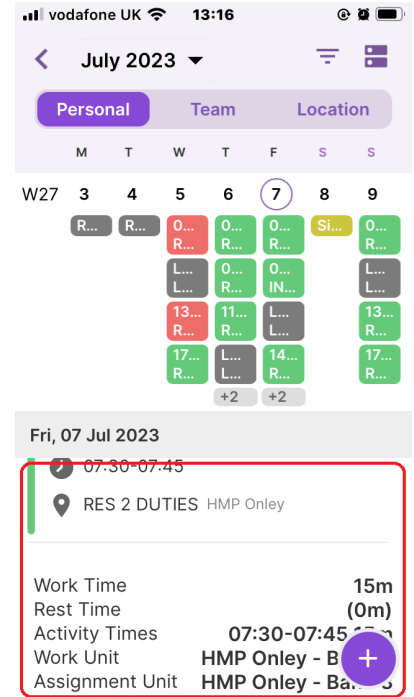
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Select a single Day to see the Tasks you are undertaking



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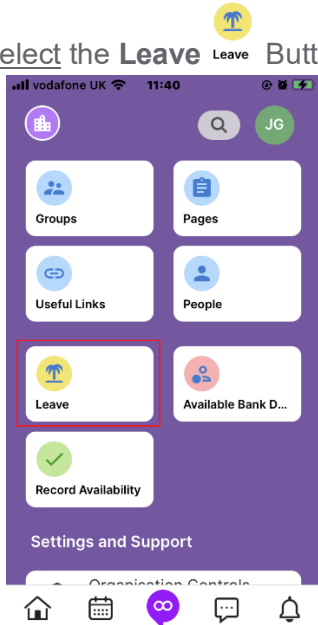
Scroll the bottom section to see the Tasks you are undertaking and further information:



# 1.5 Requesting Annual Leave

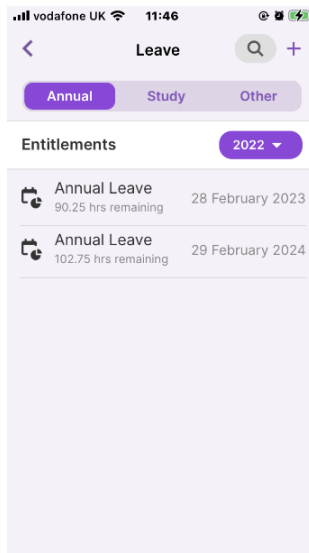
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Select the **Leave** Button



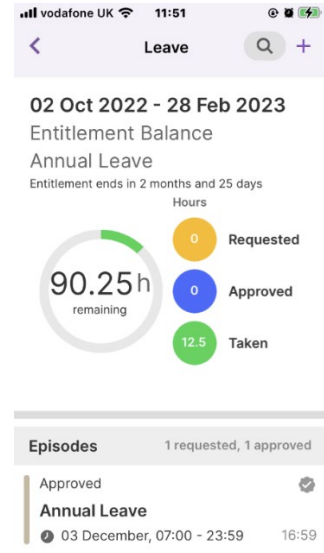
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Select the correct Entitlement **Year**



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See the **Entitlement Balance Annual Leave Page**



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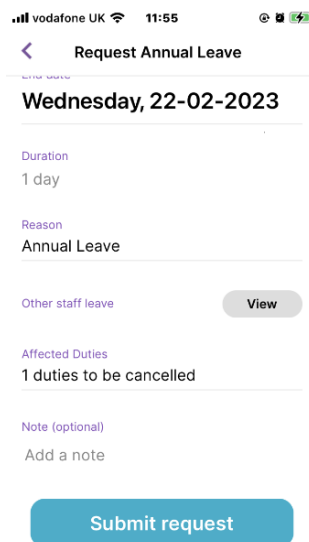
Select the **Add** button in the top-right-hand corner of the screen



02 Oct 2022 - 28 Feb 2023  
Entitlement Balance  
Annual Leave

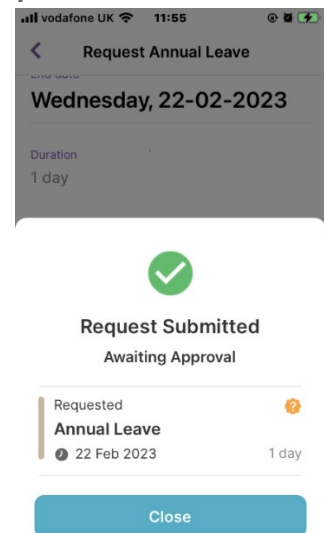
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**Request Annual Leave Page** – Set the Start Date and End Date of the Requested Leave together with the **Reason** of “Annual Leave”



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Select the **Submit Request** button at the bottom of the Request Annual Leave Page. This will provide the **Request Submitted** message:



## 1.5.1 Supporting Loop Video: Booking Annual Leave

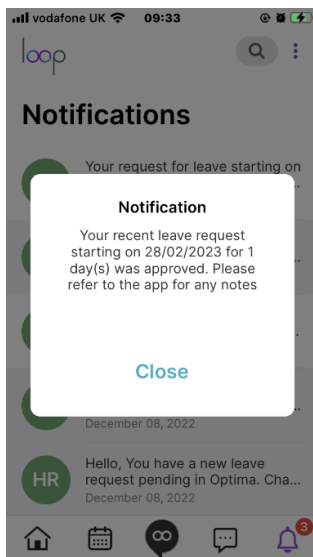
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**Note:** The password is “MOJ”

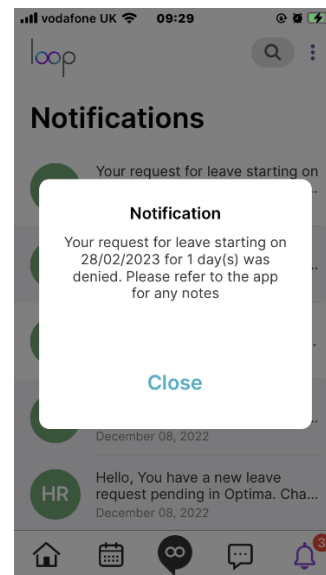
## 1.6 Requested Leave: Approval and Rejection Notifications

Once the Roster Administrator has reviewed your **Annual Leave Request**, they will either **Approve** or **Reject** it. *Example* Notifications in Loop are provided below:

### Example Approved Notification



### Example Rejected Notification

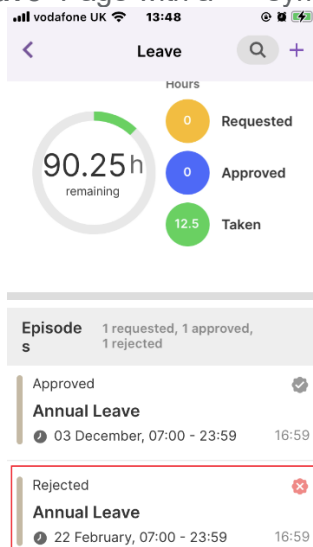


**Note:** You will also receive an **email notification**.

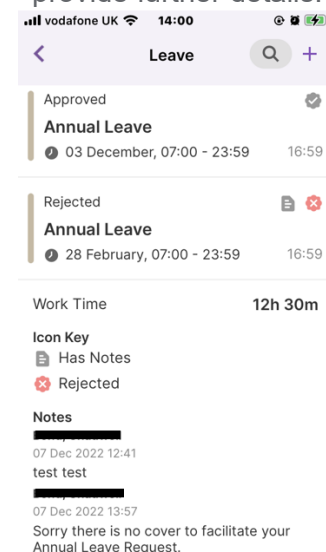
## 1.7 Reviewing Details for a Rejected Annual Leave Request

For a Rejected Annual Leave Request, this will be highlighted on the “**Entitlement Balance Annual**

**Leave**” Page with a symbol:



Selecting the Rejected Annual Leave Request will provide further details:

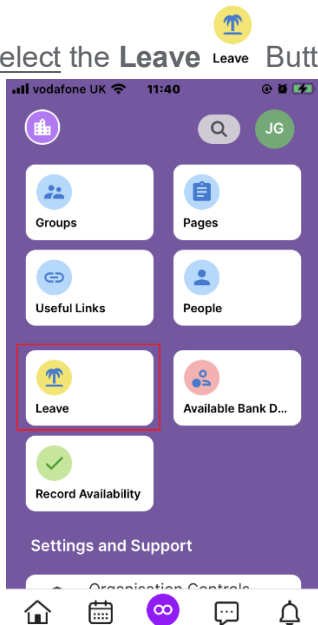


# 1.8 Removing an Annual Leave Request

**Note:** Only Annual Leave Requests that HAVE NOT been Approved or Rejected can be removed.

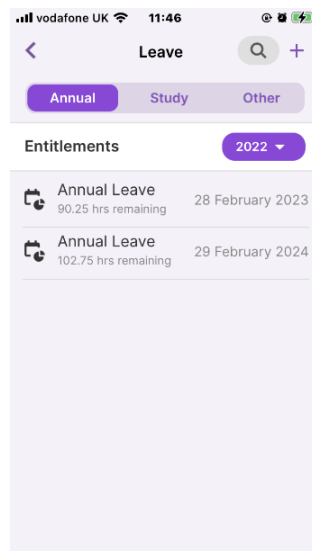
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Select the **Leave** Button



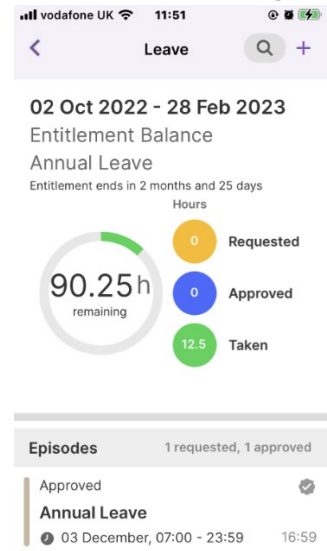
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Select the correct Entitlement **Year**



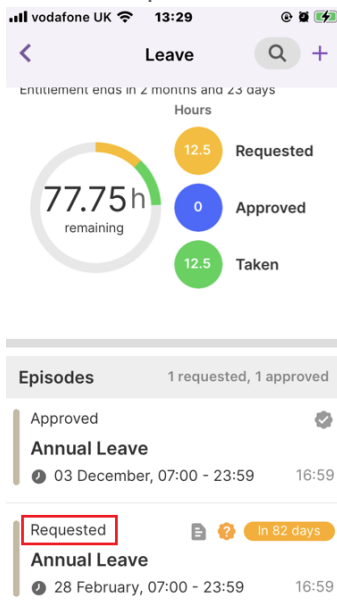
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See the **Entitlement Balance Annual Leave Page**



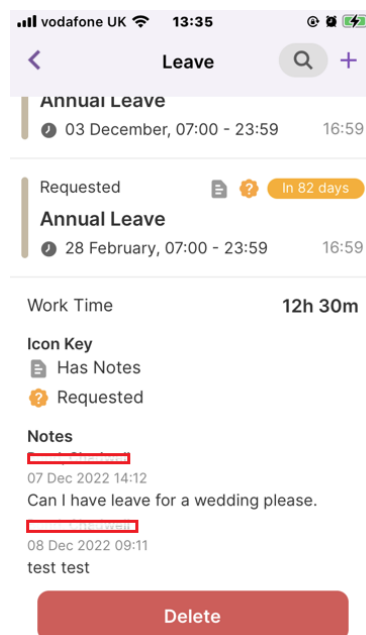
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Scroll down to locate the Leave Request at the **Status** of "Requested":



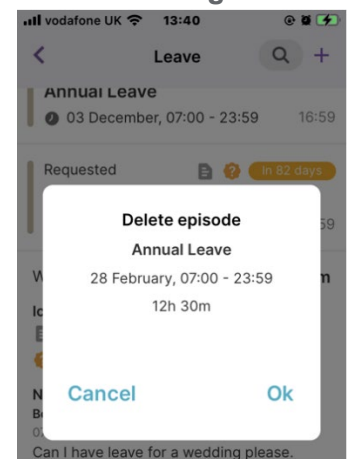
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Select the "Requested" Annual Leave record to show more details:



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Select the **Delete** button located at the bottom of the screen to be presented with the **Confirmation Message**:



Select the **OK** button to confirm the removal

**Note:** This Requested Annual Leave will now NOT be shown in the Optima Roster Screens and there is no interaction required by the Roster Administrator.



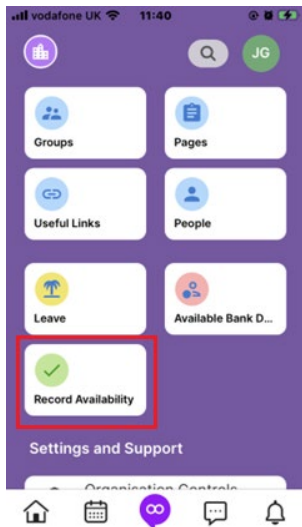
## 1.9 Recording Your Availability

You can inform your Roster Administrator of Dates and Times you are available to work using the “**Record Availability**” function in Loop.

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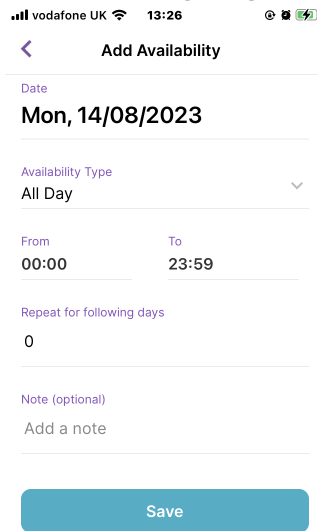
Select the **Record Availability**

Button



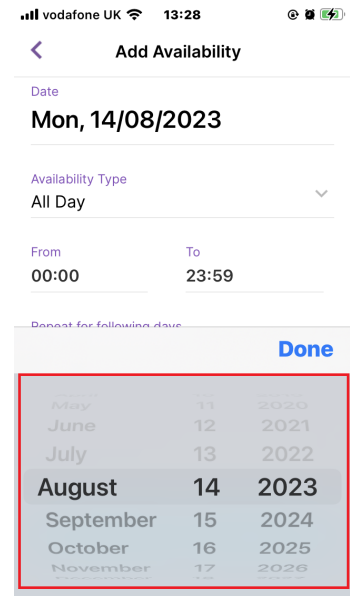
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This will open the **Add Availability Page:**



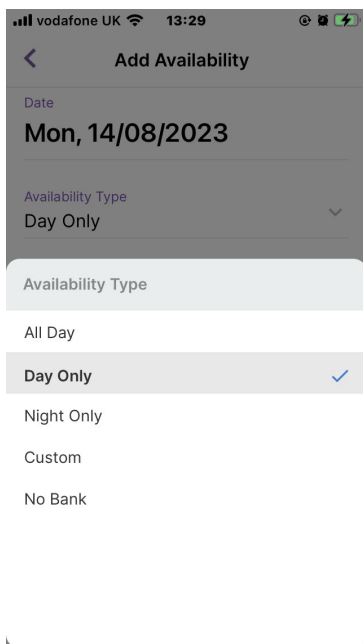
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Set the **Date** you are Available for Duty:



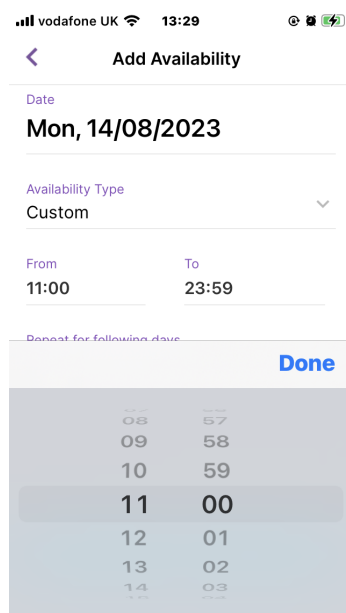
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Set the **Availability Type** to say what Shifts Types you would be available for:



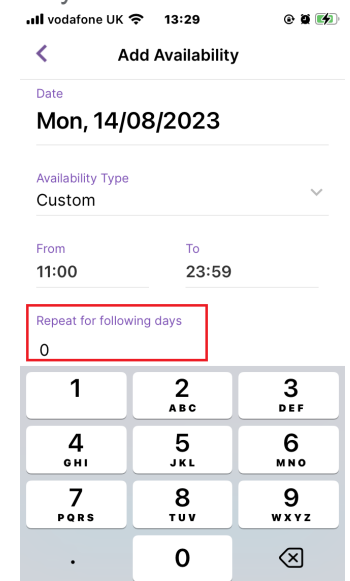
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Optionally use **Custom** option to set specific Times you wish to record and set the **From Time** and **To Time**:



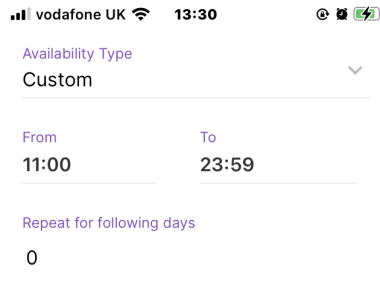
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Optionally use the **Repeat for following days** to set this time for a number of consecutive days from the first Date:



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Optionally add a supporting **Note** that will be seen by your Roster Administrator



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Availability Type  
Custom

From 11:00 To 23:59

Repeat for following days  
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Note (optional)

ailable at this time if work is available

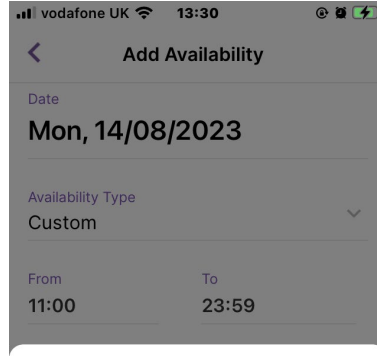


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Select the Save

**Save**  
button at the bottom of the screen and you will see your **Added availability Message:**



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< Add Availability

Date  
Mon, 14/08/2023

Availability Type  
Custom

From 11:00 To 23:59



**Added availability**

You have added Custom on  
14 Aug 2023

**Done**

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Select the Done

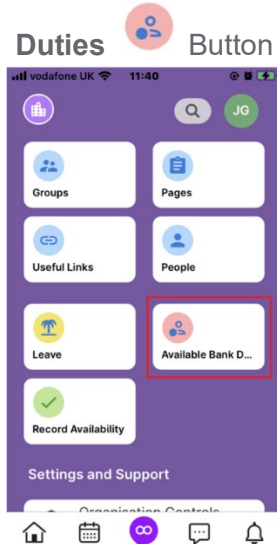
**Done**  
button at the bottom the screen to complete the process.

## 1.10 Direct Booking an Available Bank Shift

Available Vacant Shifts can be “Sent to Bank” by your Roster Administrator. These Available Shifts can be viewed and directly booked using Loop.

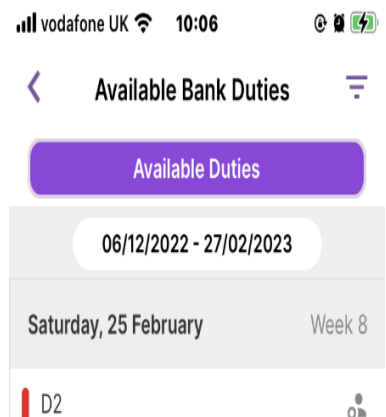
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Select the **Available Bank**



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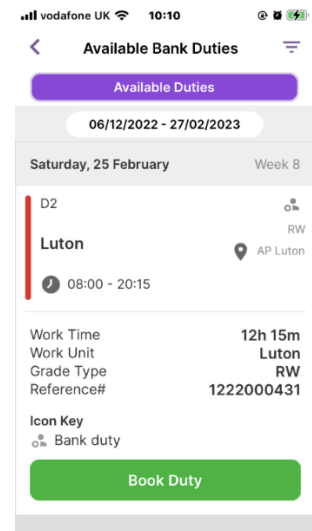
View **Available Duties** Page



**Note:** Only Available Duties that you can do based on the Rostering Rules (such as your Rank & Skills) in the system are displayed

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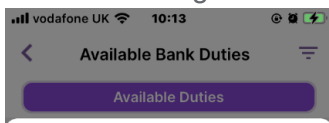
Select the **Available Duty** you are interested in in order to see more details



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Select the **Book Duty**

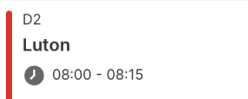
button to direct book. You will then be provided with a **Confirm Booking Message**:



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Confirm Booking

Sat, 25 February 2023 Week 8



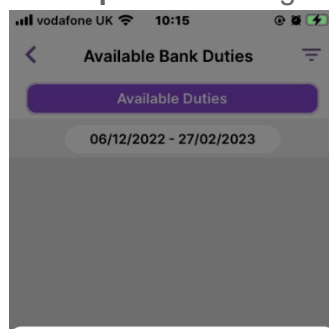
Book Substantive

Cancel

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Select the **Book Substantive**

button to confirm the booking. You will then be provided with a **Booking Completed Message**



Booking Completed



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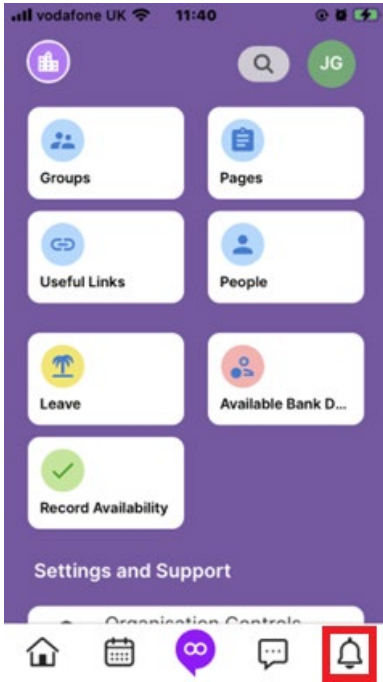
Select the **Done**

button to go back to the Available Duties Page

# 1.11 Viewing Your Loop Notifications

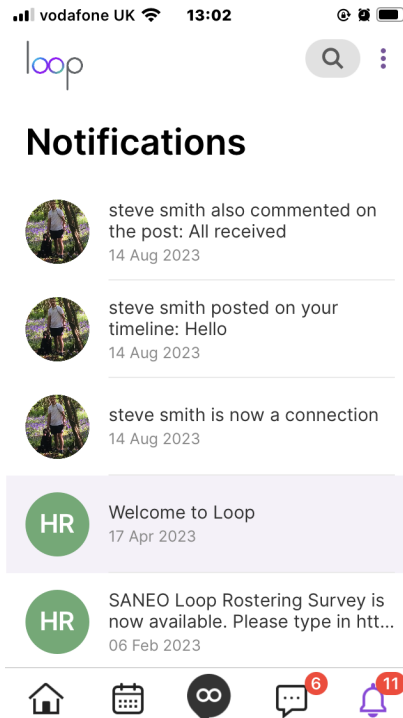
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Select Alerts  Button at the bottom of the screen:



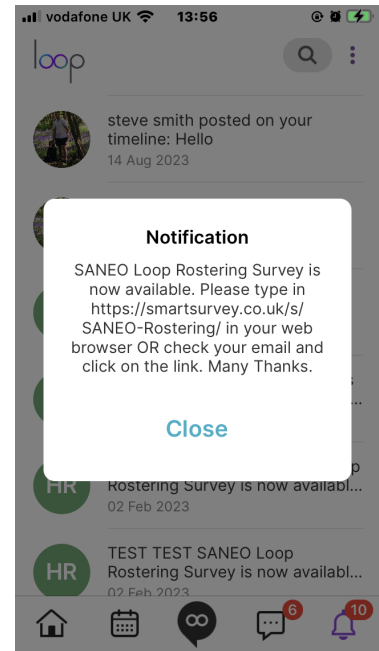
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View your **Notifications** with the most recent at the top of the list:



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Select a Notification to see further details:

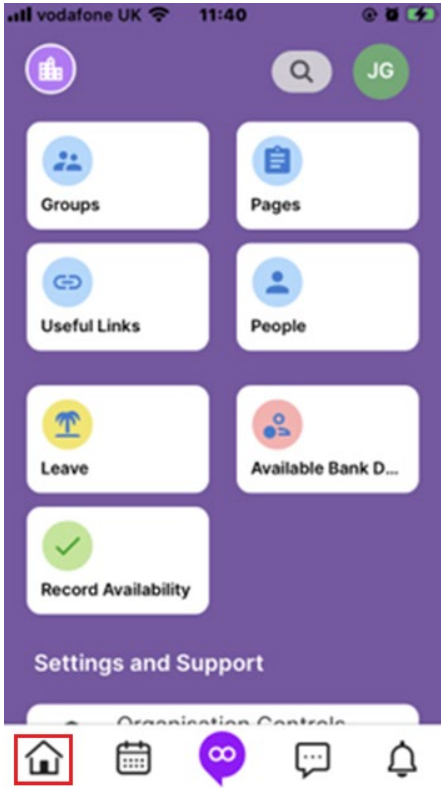


Select **Close** to return to your Notification List

# 1.12 Reviewing Your Loop Newsfeed

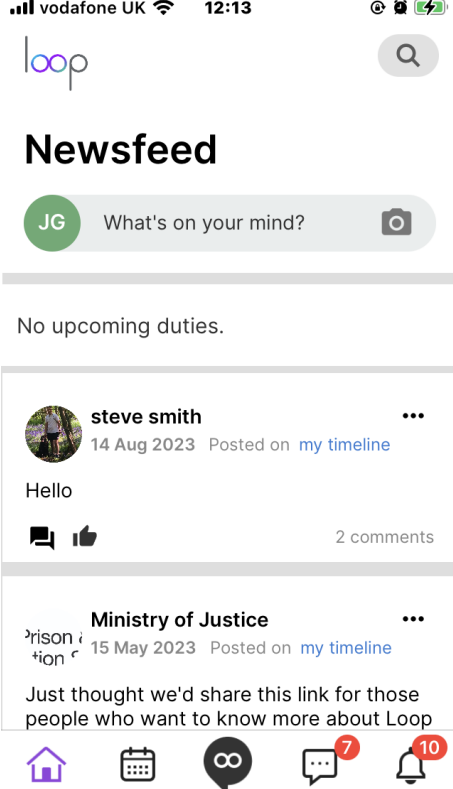
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Select Home Button at the bottom of the screen:



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View your **Newsfeed** with the most recent items at the top of the list:

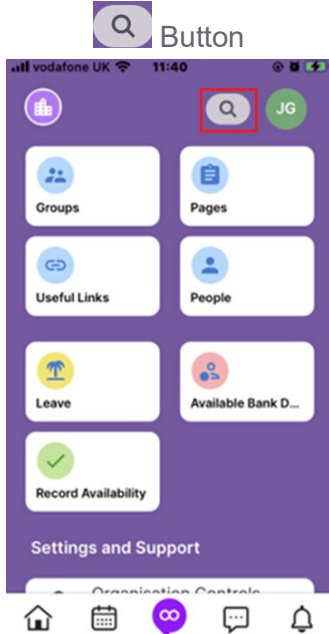


# 1.13 Connecting to Friends

You can connect to colleagues and friends with Loop.

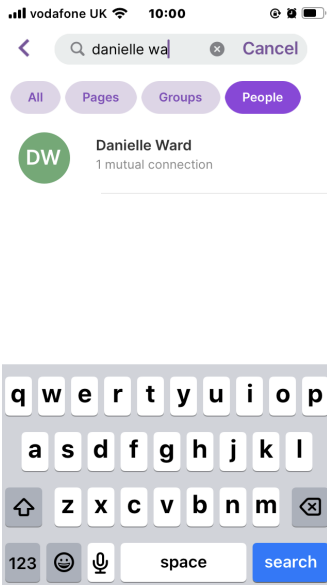
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Select the **Search Function**



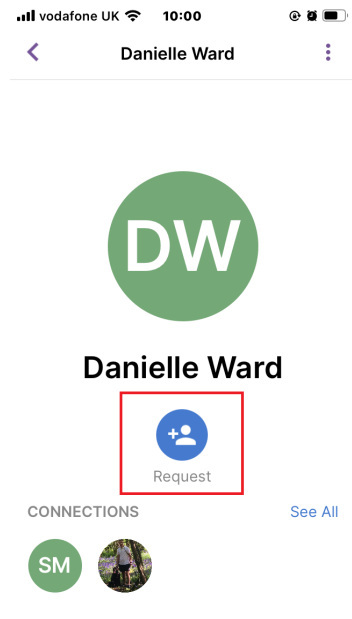
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Select the **People** button and add search criteria:



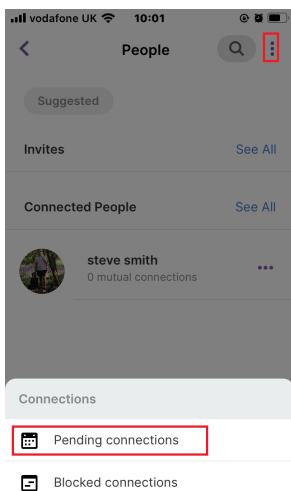
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Select Person in Search Results:



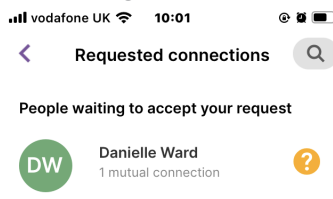
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View Pending Connections by selecting button in top-right-hand corner and selecting Pending connections :



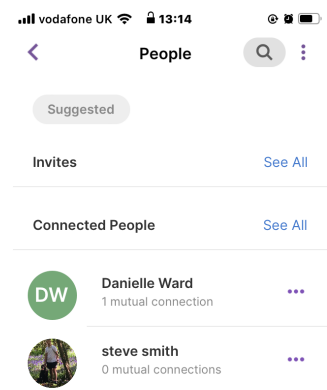
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Pending Connections:



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Select **People** button to view all Connections:



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