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To:

Norfolk Boreas

Cc: nectonparishcouncil@gmail.com
Subject: Meeting planned for tomorrow
Date: 16 March 2020 16:32:00

This is a request from Necton Parish Council to please postpone tomorrow's meeting in view of the current Coronavirus outbreak.

Some of our delegates are in the age range to self isolate. although this is not in place at present we are concerned about how we can meet as safely as possible.

Thank you Regards Jean Bass Chair - Necton Parish Council Sent from my iPad From: nectonparishcouncil@gmail.com

To: Norfolk Boreas

Subject: Norfolk Boreas- revised timetables

Date: 25 March 2020 15:13:10

Good afternoon

Our ref NORB-004

NORFOLK BOREAS – Revised timetable

In light of the current coronavirus emergency and changes to the Norfolk Boreas examination timetable, Necton Parish Council (NPC) respectfully requests a reconsideration of the revised timetable.

It would appear that the Examining Authority is still intending to complete the Examination on 12th May 2020, without the need to hold any further Issue Specific Hearings, Open Floor Hearings or Accompanied Site Inspections. NPC is extremely concerned at the prospect of what would be lost from the fairness, transparency and detail of the examination process, if that were to be the case.

In addition, NPC suggests that it is unsafe to assume that those taking part in the examination process will be able to continue to participate fully by written submissions, and that Local Authorities, agencies and other Interested Parties will be able to respond as they would have done before the current emergency. In the coming weeks it is likely that many people will fall ill, or be fully occupied with caring for those who do, and will not be able to continue with the written aspect of the examination process.

This situation is unprecedented, but the Planning Act 2008 does allow for an Examination to be put on hold in certain circumstances (see extract below).

Therefore, in the interests of fairness and due process, Necton Parish Council would be grateful if the ExA could re-consider the revised timetable, and allow for the examination to be resumed in full at a later date.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter

Planning Act 2008:

Guidance for the examination of applications for development consent

Allowing further time:

107. Exceptionally there may be circumstances where it would be reasonable to allow further time for the taking of any step in respect of which the Procedure Rules specifies a time limit. Rule 23 therefore enables the Examining Authority to do so at any time and in any particular case.

Kind regards

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