



TERLING AND FAIRSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

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LONGFIELD SOLAR FARM – ACTION TAKEN BY PARISH COUNCIL TO 13th DECEMBER 2020

1. The PC's representations to the Planning Inspectorate are available on the Terling and Fairstead Community Website and the Facebook Village Hub.
2. The PC has still not yet seen any representations to the PI from BDC; this has been formally requested. The PC has still to advised of the views of our BDC Councillors; it is hoped they will attend the next PC meeting by Zoom. (see below).
3. The PC has sought Essex County Council observations but these have still to be received.
4. Great and Little Leighs Parish Council has submitted an objection to the Planning Inspectorate. Hatfield Peverel Parish Council has submitted a response to the Planning Inspectorate. We have still had no contact with Boreham Parish Council and are unaware of their response.
5. As the solar farm is not within their parish, Little Waltham Parish Council is not permitted to respond to the Planning Inspectorate but can respond to the local planning authority to 'inform its response'.
6. The PC is aware of the concerns expressed on BBC Look East during the week.
7. The PC is aware that Newgate Communication does not appear to be responding at pace to parishioners' questions through its website. Could we ask parishioners to contact the Clerk if any questions remain outstanding for more than seven days and more importantly remain outstanding on the run up to the 14th December 2020 deadline for return of the Newgate questionnaires. The PC notes this lack of response appears to apply to the Sunnica proposal as well.
8. Parishioners are reminded that the date for return of the Newgate questionnaires is 14th December 2020. It is still possible to submit a response by email until 23.59 on that day.
9. Parishioners may be interested to read the National Infrastructure Strategy report (Fairer Faster Greener) presented to Parliament in November by the Chancellor of the Exchequer especially Chapter 3 (pp 47-55) "Decarbonising the Economy and Climate Change". The Government's emerging ambitions and policies, if enacted, may well determine the Planning Inspectorate's final decision on the DCO application (which has yet to be formally made), and on the stated Longfield timeline, indicates 2022/2023 for the Sec of State to determine the application.



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10. The next date of the Parish Council meeting is 7.30 pm, 15th December 2020. This will be by Zoom. If you wish to attend please email the clerk:
clerk@terlingandfairsteadpc.co.uk.
11. The Parish Council has placed copies of this weekly summary on all Parish notice boards, the Terling Hub on Facebook and the Terling and Fairstead Community website.

Reminder - Non-statutory consultation, deadline December 14th 2020 - more information from:

- the booklet sent to all residents from Longfield Solar Farms.
- Viewing a virtual public exhibition on website: <https://3dwtech.co.uk/dashboard/newgate-comms/longfield/exhibition/>
- Booking an appointment to talk to Longfield Solar Farm directly about the proposals by telephone.
- Contacting Longfield Solar Farms on 0800 0194 576 or info@longfieldsolarfarm.co.uk.

Ways to respond to non-statutory consultation:

- Fill in a consultation questionnaire online: <https://www.questionpro.com/a/TakeSurvey?tt=vgTZeft04d4%3D>
- Complete a questionnaire and return it to info@longfieldsolarfarm.co.uk or Longfield Solar Farm consultation, FREEPOST reference RTRB-LUUI-AGBY, Sky Light City Tower, 50 Basinghall Street, London, EC2V 5DE.
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The Parish Council will circulate an update w/c 21st December 2020.