

North Norfolk Big Society Fund

Voluntary and community organisations within North Norfolk may apply for Big Society Fund grants to support their projects. Full information including contact details are given in the Fund's page on the District Council website <http://bit.ly/cllr-fitzpatrick-BSF>. It is worth making contact at an early stage to discuss your application. The officers are very happy to give help and advice with any application.

The next Panel will sit on 12th March with applications to be submitted by 12th February 2018.

Stearmans Yard Car Park

Our contractor has commenced work on repairing / rebuilding the wall at the Theatre Road end of the car park and is making good progress.

Payments to NNDC by Phone

The Payment Card Industry have introduced new security standards which came into effect on 1st February 2018. The main change will only affect customers who have previously called us and relayed their card details verbally, as they will no longer be able to do this. However we will offer to transfer callers wishing to make payment to an automated system that will take card details and process the payment. This will help ensure their details are secure.

Alternatively, using our online portal is a quick and easy way to make payment - just click on the 'Pay' tab on the home screen.

Bodham and Selbrigg Wind Turbines

North Norfolk District Council is challenging the Planning Inspectorate on its decision not to hold a Public Inquiry in the process of re-considering joint planning appeals for wind turbines at Bodham and Selbrigg.

In May 2017, the District Council successfully challenged a previous Inspector's decision to allow the two turbine appeals following a seven day joint Public Inquiry in late 2016.

It was expected that the Planning Inspectorate would hold a new joint Public Inquiry to re-consider the appeals. The District Council is of the opinion that the latest decision of the Inspectorate to carry out the appeals using the written representation process would deny the opportunity to properly scrutinise the proposals in public and properly test the conflicting expert opinions.

It would also deny local residents and groups from putting their views to the Inspector in person.

The Council is awaiting a response from the Planning Inspectorate but will continue legal proceedings unless agreement is reached to re-hear the appeals via a Public Inquiry.

Councillor Vincent FitzPatrick, Priory Ward

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