

Update from JG Pears for NORMANTON ON TRENT WITH MARNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

March / April 2026

Neighbours & Community:

1. Complaints.

Direct site number – 01636 529494 – is shared with Parish Council is also on the website. In March we received 8 complaints predominantly from Low Marnham and South Clifton, and 54 complaints in April, predominantly from Normanton or South Clifton in April.

All off the complaints have been investigated and the EA visited site on 12th May.

One Schedule 5 was submitted to the EA for the refurbishment works on one of the Effluent treatment water storage tanks.

2. Website. To keep people informed, our Community Page on our website is kept up to date with planned works or unusual activity - <https://jgpears.com/community-liaison/>. The latest post on 19th May updated on repairs to the Balance Tank (first posted on 21st April).

Completed Improvements / upcoming projects.

1. Effluent Balance Tank A is being completely refurbished. Once done the other Balance tank will be scheduled. This is part of the ongoing asset care plan.
2. The new Feather line hydrolyser has been validated and approved by APHA
3. Planning is taking place for the replacement of the steam to steam generator in the power plant on site in November 2026 during the next planned CHP outage
4. The Hydrogen Project at High Marnham is now in full commercial operation. Large EA conference on the use of Hydrogen taking place at High Marnham on Wed 20th.

In Progress

1. The upgrade of the feather line continues. Installation phases are complete with snagging ongoing.
2. National Grid are progressing with developing the site of their new substation on fields to the right of the entrance of the HyMarnham Green Energy Business Park. The main gate to the rest of the site will be moved once security arrangements are completed. – they are now onsite doing the ground investigation works.
3. Construction works on “Unit B” at High Marnham has now commenced following determination of all of the pre-construction planning conditions

Planning

1. Update on planning applications at the High Marnham site.
 1. We are continuing to work on a solar project in the Darlton area, to replace what we expect to be lost by the National Grid Substation at High Marnham. This application currently in planning with BLDC
 2. We are working on 2 other solar project to the north of the A57, both of which have been submitted to BLDC.

High Marnham – Security and Access arrangements for Sustrans users

1. We are still willing to help facilitate a parking solution for the Sustrans route close to the entrance to the former High Marnham power station site. Or would something by the Brownlow with access to the Sustrans route via the riverbank be a better option? This is something we could suggest to National Grid or One Earth Solar if there is community support.