

In March 2019, after iGas reported encouraging results from the first vertical well drilled at Springs Road, there has been little activity on site except for the well cellar being covered by shipping containers.

Planning Consent was granted for the various phases of the project culminating in the restoration of the site back to its original condition. This work should have been completed by the end of November 2020.

On Thursday 5th November 2020, at an on-line meeting of the Springs Road Community Liaison Group, iGas declared their intention to apply to Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC) for an extension of the current consent for a period of three years.

Whilst this application is pending, NCC have agreed to not take enforcement action for any failure to complete the site restoration within the allotted time.

The application is expected to be published before the end of November and will be available either on-line or in hard copy format by request. Because of the anticipated level of interest and the impact of the current Covid-19 restrictions, NCC will allow an extended period of consultation before the matter is determined by an on-line meeting of the Planning and Licensing Committee.

Once the application has been published, individuals or organisation are invited to submit comments within the consultation period so that these may be considered by NCC. The deadline for the submission of comments and the date of the determination meeting will be notified in due course.

Peter Edwards

Chair, Springs Road Community Liaison Group.

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