

SOUTH SOMERCOTES PARISH COUNCIL

Request for Information Decision

Date of request: 25/07/2026

Date of decision: 17/08/2026

Request:

I request that all and any information, emails, phone call logs , communications, and comments along with names and notes regarding the above mentioned planning application number and the amendment planning application for the land at [REDACTED] which is owned by myself, [REDACTED] to be sent within the 20day legal timeframe.

I request that you provide the following information electronically to me at the following email address [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Decision:

In accordance with Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, you are advised that South Somercotes Parish Council holds the following information that falls within the description specified in your request.

- Information – the council does hold this information – see below
- Emails – the council holds this information – see below
- Phone logs – the council does not hold this information
- Notes – the council does not hold this information

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Your right of appeal:

If you have any queries regarding this decision, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request an internal review of our decision (within 40 days of this decision notice) you should write to:

South Somercotes Parish Council, St Peter's Church, Town Street Louth LN11 7BH

Email address: clerk@southsomercotespc.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint / the Internal Review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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INFORMATION AND EMAIL

From: clerk <clerk@southsomercoatespc.gov.uk>

Sent: 21 July 2026 11:21

To: kathryn.white <kathryn.white@e-lindsey.gov.uk>

Subject: Formal Objection to Planning Application N/162/00082/25 | Amendment 01003/26/RVCDear

Ms White,

Planning Application N/162/00082/25 – Subsequent Amendment 01003/26/RVCSection 73 application to vary condition No. 2Site: Lawrence Farm, East Row, South Somercotes, Lincolnshire, LN11 7BN

This objection is on behalf of South Somercotes Parish Council to formally object to the Section 73 application to vary Condition 2 at the above location. The current and proposed developments present severe material planning concerns that conflict with local policy and contravene many of the objections laid out in the original application. We urge the planning authority to refuse this variation based on the following material considerations:

- Unauthorised Residential Occupation: One static caravan and two mobile caravans are permanently parked on-site. Complaints from residents shows frequent overnight stays and multi-day occupancy, constituting an unauthorised change of use from agricultural land to residential.
- Flood Risk and Lack of Infrastructure: The site sits entirely within a designated flood plain and lacks essential water or mains sewerage infrastructure. Human habitation under these conditions poses significant environmental health risks and directly violates Environment Agency standing advice.
- Intent to Overdevelop: The applicant intends to construct a large log cabin for permanent occupancy. This constitutes unsustainable development in open countryside and a major intensification of use.
- Unauthorised Commercial Activity: The site is being used to store heavy machinery and track bikes for business use and an unauthorised dog breeding business is operating on-site, causing noise and disruption.
- Visual Amenity Impacts: The applicant has erected a prominent highway fence and commercial storage elements. These additions have converted a tranquil agricultural field into a severe visual blot on the landscape.

The original planning conditions were put in place to protect this rural landscape and ensure safety. We request that the planning office refuses this amendment and initiates immediate enforcement action to ensure the original conditions are strictly adhered to.

Kind regards,

Binal Sawjani
Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer
07970 161060

Apologies for not sending through the portal but my credentials have been rejected and I tried several times.