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Dear Parent/Carer,

I know that many of you may have picked up an issue within the community about the boundary fence around Norwood Primary School.

I am now writing to update you on the proposal for a boundary fence around the school's playing fields alongside Elter Walk, Gunthorpe.

Peterborough City Council together with ward councillors and the school, agreed to hold a public meeting on Tuesday 24 November at the school to discuss a range of issues around the proposal. Unfortunately this meeting has had to be postponed due to an issue that has arisen following a request for a right of way across the field adjacent to the school site.

The city council is currently looking into this matter and once it has been resolved, the public meeting will be rescheduled for the earliest possible date. At this meeting, Norwood Primary School and the city council will be able to present their proposals for a fence around the playing field. Residents will then be asked for their views and feedback about the proposed fence. We want to work with parents and other members of the local community to agree on the best possible design and location for the fence to benefit all concerned, whilst ensuring that your children are safe whilst in our care.

Norwood Primary School is unique in Peterborough in not having a fence around its playing field and this is an important issue that we need to address. The lack of a secure perimeter fence brings major safeguarding issues for the school and would be highlighted in any future Ofsted Inspection of the school.

As soon as a meeting date has been set I will write to you again to invite you to attend this important meeting, an invitation that I hope you will accept. In the meantime if anyone would like more information, or has any unanswered questions, please contact the lead officer for this issue, Jonathan Lewis, Peterborough City Council's assistant director for resources within children's services, by contacting Jonathan's personal assistant, Gina Ormston, on (01733) 864011.

I would like as many parents and carers to attend this meeting as possible to ensure that a clear voice, on behalf of the children, is shared throughout the community.

Yours sincerely,

Deborah Reynolds  
Head Teacher

