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## **Whitby Marina: Project progress update**

I am writing on behalf of Scarborough Borough Council to inform you that completion of the New Marina Building at Langborne Road, Whitby is likely to be delayed due to the severe weather conditions.

Despite the best efforts of the contractor (KFB Scarborough) and the project management team, works to the building have been slowed down due to the poor weather.

As I hope you will appreciate snow, high winds and sub zero temperatures have meant that at times work on the building has had to come to a complete stop until working conditions became safer and more favourable. This situation is not unique to this project and unfortunately this is a picture that we have seen repeated across the country with other construction projects.

The contractor has done all in his power to try and bring the building back on schedule, even calling in staff over the Christmas period to try and catch up some lost time. However the inclement weather, high winds and low temperatures mean that mortar and concrete fails to set, working becomes dangerous and welfare conditions for site staff become difficult.

We will be doing all we can to catch up on this lost time and with some luck will have a more favourable weather here on in. We will be undertaking additional measures to reduce any inconvenience this delay may cause and plan to provide alternative temporary toilet facilities should the project run into the boating season.

We will continue to communicate both through the Harbour User Group, the Harbour Office and directly to yourselves to keep you apprised of the situation.

Despite this delay the project remains within budget and we remain committed to ensuring that the building is completed to the highest possible standard to help enhance Whitby's reputation as one of the best places to live and visit in the Country.

May I offer my apologies in advance for any inconvenience this delay may cause.

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