



British Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association

Mr Peter Nieto
HM Area Coroner
Derby & Derbyshire Coroner's Area
Coroner's Court
Town Hall
Rose Hill
Chesterfield
S40 1LP

2nd April 2020

Dear Mr Nieto,

Re: Inquest into the death of Michael Frank Bostock

I refer to your Preventing Future Deaths report for Mr Michael Frank Bostock, received by the BHPA by email on 31 March 2020.

The actions we propose to take in response to the points you raise in your Section 5 "MATTERS OF CONCERN" are as follows.

1. Specifications for speed bar lines. This will be addressed in an article in the BHPA's "Skywings" magazine that is circulated to all the Association's members.
2. Pre-flight checks. The pre-flight checking of speed systems is included in the BHPA's standard pre-flight check which is taught to every paragliding student on a BHPA training course (I refer to the BHPA Technical Manual Section 2, Chapter 1, Appendix B1: The Pre-Flight Check, link to online version https://www.bhpa.co.uk/pdf/BHPA_Tech_Manual_18.pdf). The Association shall remind its members of the importance of the pre-flight check through Skywings magazine.

3. Speed system setup. This will be addressed in an article in Skywings magazine.

In respect of setting out a timetable for these actions, the article addressing these points will be published in July this year.

I consider my duty to respond under Section 7 of your report to now be discharged.

Yours sincerely,

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Marc Asquith
BHPA Chairman