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Dear Kelly

**PLANNING & COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004**

With reference to your application of 16 December 2008 applying for a direction under paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 8 to the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 in respect of policies in the Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan.

The Secretary of State's Direction and accompanying Schedule is attached. Those policies not listed in the Direction will expire on 27 June 2009.

The Secretary of State's assessment of whether saved policies should be extended is based upon the criteria set out in Planning Policy Statement 12 and Communities and Local Government Protocol on saving policies.

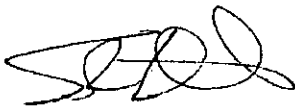
The extension of saved policies listed in this Direction does not indicate that the Secretary of State would endorse these policies if presented as new policy. It is only intended to ensure continuity in the plan-led system and a stable planning framework locally, and in particular, a continual supply of land for development.

Local planning authorities should not suppose that a regulatory local plan style approach will be supported in forthcoming Development Plan Documents. Local Planning Authorities should adopt a positive spatial strategy led approach to DPD preparation and not seek to reintroduce the numerous policies of many local plans.

The exercise of extending saved policies is not an opportunity to delay DPD preparation. LPAs should make good progress with local development frameworks according to timetables in local development schemes. Policies have been extended in the expectation that they will be replaced promptly and by fewer policies in DPDs. Maximum use should be made of national and regional policy especially given the development plan status of the Regional Spatial Strategy.

Following 27 June 2009 the saved policies should be read in context. Where policies were originally adopted some time ago, it is likely that material considerations, in particular the emergence of new national and regional policy and also new evidence, will be afforded considerable weight in decisions. In particular, we would draw your attention to the importance of reflecting policy in Planning Policy Statement 3 *Housing* and Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessments in relevant decisions.

Signed by authority of the  
Secretary of State

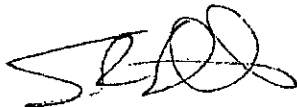
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IAN SMITH  
ACTING HEAD OF PLANNING  
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**DIRECTION UNDER PARAGRAPH 1(3) OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE  
PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004  
POLICIES CONTAINED IN THE NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH LOCAL  
PLAN ADOPTED 28 JUNE 2006**

The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government in exercise of the power conferred by paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 8 to the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 directs that for the purposes of the policies specified in the Schedule to this direction, paragraph 1(2)(a) of Schedule 8 to the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 does not apply.

Signed by authority of the  
Secretary of State

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18 JUNE 2009

## SCHEDULE

### POLICIES CONTAINED IN THE NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH LOCAL

PLAN ADOPTED 28 JUNE 2006

<b>Policy Number</b>	<b>Policy Name</b>
H1	Housing Allocations
H3	Affordable Housing
H5	Special needs Housing
H6	Planning Obligations
H10	Multiple Occupation Dwellings
H13	Gypsy and Traveller Sites
EMP1	Employment Allocations
EMP2	Judkins
EMP3	Redevelopment of Existing Industrial Sites or New Windfall Sites
EMP4	Colliery Lane
EMP5	Griff Clara
EMP9	Planning Obligations
EMP13	Prison Development
EMP14	Protecting Employment Land (B1, B2, B8)
S1	Development in Town Centres
S2	Development in District and Local Centres
S3	Environmental Improvements to Shopping Centres
S7	A3-A5 Uses Outside Town/ District Centres
S8	A3, A4, & A5 Uses in Town/ District Centres
S9	Sue Generis Uses of Retail on Industrial Estates
R8	Green Track Network
R10	Bermuda Community Park

<b>Policy Number</b>	<b>Policy Name</b>
ENV1	Green Belt
ENV2	Areas of Restraint
ENV3	Rural and Urban Countryside
ENV14	SPG on Design
ENV27	Cemeteries
ENV30	Public Art
T6	Public Transport
T10	Car Parking Standards