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Dear Richard,

SAVED POLICIES

I am writing with reference to your application of 22 May 2009 for a direction under paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 8 to the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 in respect of policies in the Allerdale Local Plan (First Alteration).

The Secretary of State's Direction is attached. Those policies not listed in the Direction will expire on 19 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 the Department for Communities and Local Government Protocol on saving policies. The Secretary of State's decisions in respect of some policies have the effect of saving policies that your authority requested should not be extended. For clarity, where this is the case, the Secretary of State's reasons are set out in the table at the end of this letter.

The extension of saved policies listed in this Direction does not indicate that the Secretary of State would endorse these policies if presented to her as new policy. It is 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 the timetables in their 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 19 June 2009 the extended policies should be read in context. Where policies were 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.

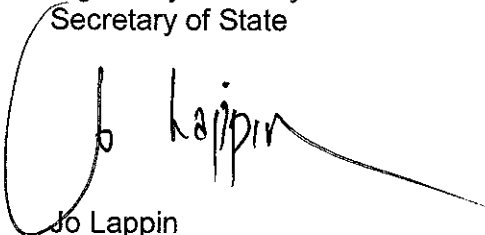
Yours sincerely
Jo Lappin

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**DIRECTION UNDER PARAGRAPH 1(3) OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE PLANNING AND
COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004**
POLICIES CONTAINED IN THE ALLERDALE LOCAL PLAN (FRST ALTERATION)
(ADOPTED 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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4 June 2009

**POLICIES CONTAINED IN THE ALLERDALE LOCAL PLAN (FIRST ALTERATION)
(ADOPTED JUNE 2006)**

Policies directed to be saved

EN13	RHS9	Maryport Town Centre boundary
EN16	RHS10	
	RHS11	
WKEN1		Glasson development limit
	REM5	
REN2		
	WKL1 (a)	
HS4		
HS6	TM2	
HS7	TM7 (a)	
HS8		
HS9	WKRG3	
HS15		
HS16		