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Sent to: Specific Consultees

**North Norfolk Local Development Framework (LDF)
Core Strategy Single Policy Review: Conversion & Re-use of Rural
Buildings as Dwellings Draft Policy (incorporating Proposals Map
amendments).**

I am pleased to enclose our Core Strategy Single Policy Review: Conversion & Re-use of Rural Buildings as Dwellings Draft Policy which has now been published. Prior to submission of the Draft Policy for examination by an independent Planning Inspector, the document is subject to a six week period of public consultation. I have enclosed for your information the Background and Methodology document supporting the Draft Policy and a CD containing electronic copies of the above and the following relevant documents:

- **Appropriate Assessment** - has been prepared to assess any likely significant effects on the integrity of European sites
- **Sustainability Appraisal** - considers the social, environmental and economic effects of the policy
- **Consultation Statement** - states how the community have been involved in the documents preparation
- **Statement of the Representations Procedure**
- **Comments Form and Guidance Notes.**

The **Conversion & Re-use of Rural Buildings as Dwellings Draft Policy** is open for Public Consultation from midday on 2 October to 4.30pm 13 November 2009. This policy document also shows changes to the **Proposals Map** that result from the new policy. The purpose of the consultation now is for consultees to explain why the document is, or is not fit for purpose, i.e. legally compliant or 'sound'. Further information is provided in the guidance notes on the CD enclosed.

Consultation Portal

We are keen to promote the use of our online consultation system for those wishing to submit comments. All comments will ultimately be published here for public viewing. Using the system is extremely easy and allows users of the system to ensure that their comments are recorded quickly and accurately. To access the **Consultation Portal** please visit <http://consult.north-norfolk.gov.uk>

Next Steps

All comments received within the consultation period will be acknowledged and recorded onto a publicly viewable website/document summarising the representations. These will be reported to Members and will inform the preparation of the submission document that will be submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination. The submission

of the document is timetabled for February 2010 with the following Examination by a Planning Inspector scheduled to begin in Spring 2010. It is only representations made at this current stage which will be considered by the Planning Inspector.

If you have any queries about the public consultation or the Local Development Framework as a whole, please contact a member of the Planning Policy Team on 01263 516318 or visit www.northernorfolk.org/ldf. We look forward to receiving your views on the enclosed documents.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Ashwell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M' and 'A'.

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