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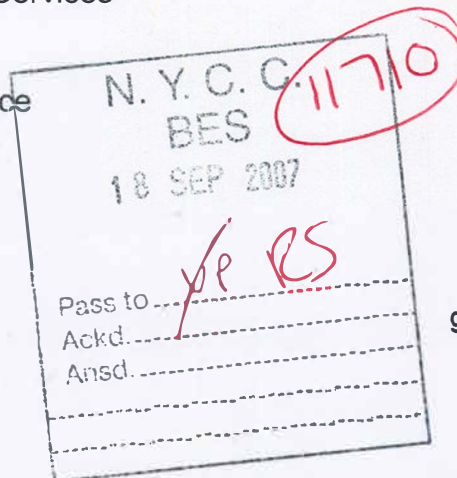
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Dear Mr Smith

EXTENSION OF SAVED POLICIES

I am writing with reference to your application of 28 March 2007 for a Direction under Paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 8 to the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 in respect of policies in the North Yorkshire Minerals Local Plan.

The Secretary of State's Direction is attached. Those policies not listed in the Direction will expire on 27th September 2007.

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. LPAs 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 advanced position of the Regional Spatial Strategy and its development plan status.





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Following 27 September 2007 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.

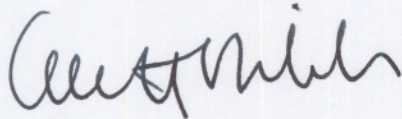
Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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**DIRECTION UNDER PARAGRAPH 1(3) OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE
PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004
POLICIES CONTAINED IN THE NORTH YORKSHIRE MINERALS LOCAL
PLAN ADOPTED DECEMBER 1997**

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.

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SCHEDULE

POLICIES CONTAINED IN THE NORTH YORKSHIRE MINERALS LOCAL PLAN ADOPTED DECEMBER 1997

CHAPTER 3 – MINERAL EXTRACTION AND RESOURCE PROTECTION

- 3/2 PREFERRED AREAS
- 3/3 AREAS OF SEARCH
- 3/4 OTHER AREAS

CHAPTER 4 – ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

- 4/1 DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS
- 4/4 HERITAGE COASTS
- 4/6A NATURE CONSERVATION AND HABITAT PROTECTION - LOCAL
- 4/10 WATER PROTECTION
- 4/11 RIVER EXTRACTION
- 4/13 TRAFFIC IMPACT
- 4/14 LOCAL ENVIRONMENT AND AMENITY
- 4/15 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY
- 4/16 ANCILLARY AND SECONDARY OPERATION
- 4/17 IMPORTATION OF WASTE
- 4/18 RESTORATION TO AGRICULTURE
- 4/20 AFTERCARE

CHAPTER 5 – AGGREGATE MINERALS

- 5/1 SAND AND GRAVEL LANDBANKS
- 5/5 CRUSHED ROCK PREFERRED AREAS AND AREAS OF SEARCH
- 5/6 BORROW PITS

CHAPTER 6 – DEEP MINED COAL

- 6/2 DEEP MINING OF COAL
- 6/3 EVALUATIVE FRAMEWORK TECHNIQUE
- 6/4 COLLIERY SPOIL DISPOSAL
- 6/5 COLLIERY WASTE TIPS

CHAPTER 7 - OIL AND GAS

- 7/2 EXPLORATION BOREHOLES
- 7/3 IDENTIFYING OF GEOLOGICAL STRUCTURE
- 7/4 APPRAISAL BOREHOLES
- 7/5 PRODUCTION WELLS
- 7/6 DEVELOPMENT SCHEME
- 7/7 DEVELOPMENT OF NEW RESERVES
- 7/8 GATHERING STATIONS
- 7/10 RESTORATION
- 7/11 RETENTION OF FEATURES
- 7/12 PIPELINES