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Dear ,

**Cheshire East Council Local Plan: Development Strategy and Policy Principles Consultations: 15th January to 26th February 2013 & Local Plan Consultation Database**

As you will be aware, Cheshire East Council has already undertaken a major programme of preparing Town Strategies, to inform the Cheshire East Local Plan. Town Strategy documents have been finalised for Alsager, Congleton, Middlewich, Sandbach and Wilmslow. Draft Town Strategy documents have been prepared and consulted on for the towns of Crewe, Macclesfield, Handforth, Knutsford, Nantwich and Poynton. The Town Strategies are being used as part of the evidence base for preparing the Local Plan.

As part of the Local Plan, Cheshire East Council has now produced a Development Strategy and an Emerging Policy Principles document. **Public consultation will take place on these documents between 15th January and 26th February 2013.** The consultation documents can be viewed on Cheshire East Council's web site and using the Council's Consultation Portal [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/localplan) where comments can be submitted electronically on the consultation documents.

Copies of the consultation documents will be made available for inspection in the libraries, Customer Service Points in Crewe and Macclesfield and the Council's offices at Westfields, Sandbach **from 15<sup>th</sup> January until 26th February 2013**. Comments forms will also be made available at the above locations, where boxes will also be available for completed comment forms to be returned.

The documents are supported by a **draft Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment** which will also be available for public consultation.

Cheshire East Council is encouraging as many people as possible to submit their comments online, to save time and money. As you are registered on our database,

you have already been assigned a username and password to enable you to comment online. If you have the ability to comment online, please contact us by phone or email and we will be able to provide your username and password, along with our "Guide to Making Comments Online" leaflet.

## **Review of Local Plan Consultation Database**

You have received this letter, as you have responded to a previous Local Plan consultation or you have asked to be kept informed of future Local Plan consultations. The Local Plan consultation database has grown significantly in size and the Council is aware that some people would prefer not to receive letters regarding the Local Plan. As a result, the Council proposes **not** to automatically write letters to people on the database in the future. However, you can continue to receive letters regarding the Local Plan if you wish to do so. To let the Council know that you wish to keep receiving letters about the Local Plan, please:

- a) Email us at [localplan@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:localplan@cheshireeast.gov.uk); or
- b) Write to us at Spatial Planning, Cheshire East Council, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ; or
- c) Complete a comments form on the current consultation

In all cases please **quote your reference number (677582)**.

**Please ensure that you do one of the above by 26<sup>th</sup> February 2013 if you would like to continue receiving letters regarding the Local Plan. If you have not responded by that date it will be assumed that you do not want to receive such letters in future.**

Further information on the consultation can be obtained from the Cheshire East web site [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/localplan) or by e-mail [localplan@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:localplan@cheshireeast.gov.uk) or telephone 01270 685893.

Yours faithfully

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