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Dear Mr Durrant

**Town and Country Planning Act 1990** F/2013/0345/OUT - RABBITHILL COVERT, STATION ROAD - 81 DWELLINGS DC/14/2096/HYB - STATION ROAD NORTH - 375 DWELLINGS AND PRIMARY **SCHOOL** 

F/2013/0660/FUL - BRISCOE WAY - 65 DWELLINGS F/2013/0394/OUT - WEST OF ERISWELL ROAD - 140 DWELLINGS

I refer to the above applications which have been the subject of third party requests to call in for determination by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government.

The Secretary of State has carefully considered these cases against call-in policy, as set out in the Written Ministerial Statement by Nick Boles on 26 October 2012. The policy makes it clear that the power to call in a case will only be used very selectively.

The Government is committed to give more power to councils and communities to make their own decisions on planning issues, and believes planning decisions should be made at the local level wherever possible.

In deciding whether to call in these applications, the Secretary of State has considered his policy on calling in planning applications. This policy gives examples of the types of issues which may lead him to conclude, in his opinion that the application should be called in. The Secretary of State has decided, having had

regard to this policy, not to call in these applications. He is content that they should be determined by the local planning authority.

The Article 31 Directions pursuant to the Secretary of State's letter issued in relation to these applications are hereby withdrawn.

Yours sincerely

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