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Dear Mr Doherty,

I am writing with reference to your application of 16 November 2008 for a direction under paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 8 to the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 in respect of policies in the Salford Unitary Development Plan.

The Secretary of State's Direction is attached. Those policies not listed in the Direction will expire on 21 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. 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 development plan status of the Regional Spatial Strategy.

Following 21st 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.

Policy Ref	Reason for extending
<b>H9 (including sites H9/1 - 9/9)</b>	The CLG protocol for handling proposals to save adopted policies beyond the 3 year period states that the government will have particular regard to policies that support the delivery of housing, including unimplemented site allocations. As Policy H9 contains unimplemented allocations it is considered necessary to extend the Policy. It is not open to the Secretary of State to save only part of the policy.
<b>E4 (including sites E4/1 - 4/16)</b>	The CLG protocol for handling proposals to save adopted policies beyond the 3 year period states that the government will have particular regard to policies that support economic development and regeneration. As policy E4 contains unimplemented site allocations for employment uses it is considered necessary to extend the policy. It is not open to the Secretary of State to save only part of the policy.

Yours sincerely



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**DIRECTION UNDER PARAGRAPH 1(3) OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE PLANNING AND  
COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004  
POLICIES CONTAINED IN THE SALFORD UNITARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN ADOPTED  
ON 21st 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steven Fyfe', written in a cursive style.

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26 February 2009

## SCHEDULE

### POLICIES CONTAINED IN THE SALFORD UDP ADOPTED ON 21 JUNE 2006

<b>Strategic Policies</b>	E1	EN7	
	E2	EN8	M1
	E3	EN9	M2
ST1	E4	EN11	
ST3	E5	EN12	
ST4		EN13	
ST5		EN17	
ST7	<b>Retail and Leisure</b>	EN18	
ST9		EN19	
ST10		EN20	
ST12	S1	EN21	
ST13	S3	EN22	
ST14	S4	EN23	
ST15	S5		
ST16		<b>The City's Heritage</b>	
ST17	<b>Education, Health and Community Facilities</b>	CH1	
<b>Mixed-Use Development</b>		CH2	
		CH3	
MX1	EHC1	CH4	
MX2	EHC3	CH5	
MX3	EHC4	CH6	
	EHC5	CH7	
<b>Design</b>	EHC6	CH8	
	EHC7		
DES1	EHC9	<b>Recreation</b>	
DES2	EHC10	R1	
DES3		R2	
DES4	<b>Accessibility</b>	R3	
DES5		R4	
DES6	A2	R5	
DES7	A3	R6	
DES8	A4	R7	
DES9	A5		
DES10	A6		
	A8	<b>Development</b>	
<b>Housing</b>	A9	DEV1	
	A10	DEV2	
H1	A11	DEV3	
H3	A14	DEV4	
H4	A15	DEV5	
H5		DEV6	
H6	<b>Environmental Protection and Improvement</b>	DEV7	
H7			
H8		<b>Waste</b>	
H9	EN1	W1	
	EN2		
	EN4		
<b>Employment</b>	EN5	<b>Minerals</b>	