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Your ref: SW/CMS/3/2012/0942/P
Our ref: NPCU/CONS/T2350/73203

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Dear Ms Westwood

The Town and Country Planning (Consultation) (England) Direction 2009

**Application for mixed use development at High Standen Farm/Littlemoor Farm,
Clitheroe, Ribble Valley
Application ref: 3/2012/0942/P**

1. I refer to your letter of 19 December 2013 referring to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government ("The Secretary of State") an application for planning permission for the above development.
2. The Secretary of State has carefully considered this case against the 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.
3. In deciding whether to call in this application, 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 this application. He is content that it should be determined by the local planning authority.

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Yours sincerely

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