Newark & Sherwood District Council Our ref: LT/2009/109202/CS-

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## Dear Sir/Madam

## Local Development Framework Plan Review Second Publication Allocations & Development Management Development Plan Document

The Environment Agency (EA) and Newark & Sherwood District Council (N&SDC) continue to engage in detailed discussions related to the flood risk posed to the Tolney Lane area and the proposed flood protection/alleviation scheme currently being worked upon by N&SDC.

As such we felt it would be worth issuing the below holding statement for the benefit of the inspector.

The proposed Tolney Lane flood protection/alleviation scheme being worked upon by N&SDC is extremely complicated and requires extensive partnership working between the two risk management authorities. While this work is ongoing, we recognise the challenges faced by N&SDC in providing pitch provision over the course of the local plan period which would require some allocation of pitches prior to the implementation of the flood alleviation scheme.

As such we are currently collaborating with N&SDC on a Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) which will be designed to give the inspector greater understanding of the unique challenges impacting the Tolney Lane area in relation to flood risk.

Yours faithfully

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