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Dear Sir

Bridgend Local Development Plan - Delivery Agreement Regulation 9 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan) (Wales) Regulations 2005

I refer to the Delivery Agreement (DA) incorporating the Timetable and Community Involvement Scheme for the proposed Bridgend Local Development Plan submitted electronically and in hard copy on 9 October 2006.

The efforts made by the Authority in preparing the Delivery Agreement and in furthering the LDP are appreciated. It is the Welsh Assembly Government's aim to have a plan-led system, with formally adopted new style plans in place, as soon as possible.

Consequently on behalf of the Welsh Assembly Government I am able to **confirm agreement** to the document as provided for by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, Section 63 (4) and (Commencement No 3) (Wales) Order 2005 along with Regulations 3 and 9 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan) (Wales) Regulations 2005.

Please note that paragraph 4.6.1 of the LDP Manual requests that 4 copies of the published DA are sent to the Assembly. It is a matter for local discretion whether the DA is published with or without financial details but the published version should include the staffing provisions which you have included in the submitted version.

Your timetable accords with the 4-year LDP preparation target (from Delivery Agreement), and also the need to have up-to-date adopted policies for waste by the EC 2010 deadline.



As a commitment on the part of the Council, it is expected that the Delivery Agreement will be followed conscientiously and that there will be no need for deviation outside identified levels of tolerance. We would wish to be advised of any slippage occurring throughout your plan preparation programme and would require you to resubmit the Delivery Agreement and that it be agreed by the Assembly if you fell outside the tolerance levels.

It should be understood that this agreement has been reached after giving due consideration to the fact that this is the first Delivery Agreement for Bridgend and that LDPs and their associated Delivery Agreements are a new and evolving system.

If you have any queries on the response, please don't hesitate to contact me or someone in the team.

Yours sincerely

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