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Dear Mr Russel Williams,

Revocation of Regional Strategies

Thank you for your letter of 22 July, to the Steve Quartermain the Chief Planner about housing issues emerging in Ipswich following the revocation of Regional Strategies on 6 July. I have been asked to reply on behalf of the Chief Planner.

You asked about what is meant by Option 1 numbers expressed in the "original Regional Spatial Strategy (Option 1 targets)".

Option 1 numbers/figures in East of England RSS mean:

The housing numbers/figures Regional Assemblies set out in Draft RSS (Draft East of England RSS submitted to Secretary of State, 08/12/04); this is what is meant by the "original" RSS:

- East of England RSS regional housing numbers/figures 23,900 PA, prior to the Examination in Public;
- Ipswich's allocation from RSS 770 PA.

Final numbers/figures in East of England RSS following issuing of RSS by Secretary of State of final RSS on 12 May 2008.

- East of England RSS regional numbers/figures in final RSS 25,400 PA;
- Ipswich's allocation 770 PA.

Please do not hesitate to call me directly on Tel 0303 444 1654, if you require further clarification or explanation.

I hope this is helpful.

Eamon Mythen