

18 May 2018

Chief executives, Principal councils in Northamptonshire

Dear chief executive,

Variation of Invitation to submit a proposal for a single tier of local government in Northamptonshire

Thank you for your joint letter of 3 May 2018 in which you provided an update on the work you are undertaking together to formulate a proposal for unitary structures in Northamptonshire, and requested that the date for submitting any proposal to the Secretary of State is changed to the end of August, in particular to allow time for proper public consultation.

As you know, in his Written Ministerial Statement on 10 May 2018 the Secretary of State announced that he was happy to grant your request and that accordingly any proposal in response to his Invitation of 27 March to your councils is to be submitted by the end of August 2018.

I now enclose a formal Variation of Invitation, which gives effect to the revised deadline. Except for the change of date by which proposals must be made, the Invitation and Guidance issued on 27 March 2018 are unchanged.

As ever, if I or my team are able to assist you in developing any proposal, do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

P. Rousell

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

VARIATION OF INVITATION FOR PROPOSALS FOR A SINGLE TIER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, in exercise of his powers under section 3(7) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, hereby varies his Invitation of 27 March 2018 to any principal local authority for an area that is the whole or part of the county of Northamptonshire ("the Invitation") as follows.

In paragraph 1 of the Invitation, the date of 27 July 2018 is changed to 31 August 2018.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.

P Rowsell

P. Rousell

A senior civil servant in the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

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