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The Chief Planning Officer  
Local Planning Authorities in England

Dear Colleague

### **Sensitive Information in Planning Applications**

It has come to the Department's attention that some authorities are unclear whether the advice set out in the DCLG letter of 24 May 2007 on sensitive information in planning applications remains in force. The 2007 letter sets out the procedure for following the guidance in paragraphs 24 and 25 of the memorandum to DCLG Circular 02/2006 "Crown Application of the Planning Acts".

I can confirm that this letter is still in force and that the procedures should be followed in the relevant circumstances.

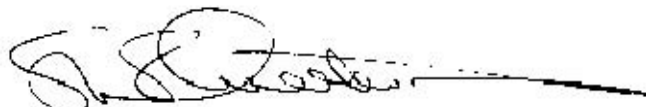
The letter can be found at:

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/lettersensitiveinformation> and the Circular can be found at:

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/circularcommunities>.

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Yours faithfully



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