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Dear Deborah,

**APPOINTMENT UNDER SECTION 10 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1999**

I am writing to confirm that the Secretary of State, in exercise of powers under section 10 of the Local Government Act 1999 (as amended by the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014) (“the 1999 Act”), and on the recommendation of the Lead Inspector who was appointed on 8 May 2024 to carry out an inspection of the compliance of the authority known as Spelthorne Borough Council, has appointed you as an Assistant Inspector for the purposes of this inspection.

Section 12 of the 1999 Act provides that the Authority to be inspected must pay the Inspectors’ reasonable fees for carrying out the inspection, which have been set at £1,100 per day together with reasonable expenses in line with the Authority’s policy.

I enclose, for your information, the letter appointing Lesley Seary as Lead Inspector.

Yours sincerely,

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