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Dear Linda

Re: Joint Core Strategy and Development Management Policies Development Plan Document – Independent Examination – Planning for Growth – Theatres Trust

Please find enclosed the Council's response to the Theatres Trust comments on the Government's Budget Statements about `Planning for Growth`.

The Council received the Trust's comments on 26 April 2011 and, as requested by the Inspector, we have responded within the one-week deadline.

This response has been approved by the Assistant Executive Director for Economy and Planning and the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Environment.

The Council notes the comments made by the Theatres Trust about the Government's `Planning for Growth` Statements. The council considers the DPD addresses the points raised by the Trust. The council's own statement (*Core Document reference number CD 410*) also addresses the points raised by the Trust. The council notes the Trust's comments that "the LDF process has been far more inclusive than the old [Local Plan] system".

I enclose five paper copies of this letter as requested by the Inspector. The letter has also been sent to you by email.

Should you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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