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Dear Parish/Town Clerk,

As part of the Council's commitment to keeping local communities informed, I am writing to give you advance notice of an evidence gathering exercise to inform work on the local Plan. In March this year the Council published a 'Position Statement' to clarify its intentions to not formally progress with a full Review of the Local Plan pending the introduction of new Local Planmaking processes. It was also agreed that in the meantime, officers would progress with the gathering of evidence to underpin a new plan and this has included work on implementing new software to assist in the process of the submission and assessment of land for development. As part of this we will be undertaking a 'Call for Sites' between 9th October and 10th January 2025 to give people and organisations the opportunity to submit sites for a range of uses including:

- Residential development of five or more dwellings
- Self-build or custom build housing sites of one or more dwellings
- Biodiversity receptor sites with an area of <u>500sqm or more</u>
- Retail development with a floorspace of 500sqm or more
- Economic development e.g., office, factory, with a floorspace of 500sqm or more
- Gypsy, Travellers or Travelling Showpeople sites of 500sqm or more
- Public Open Space
- Community Facilities
- Any other developments/uses

The Call for Sites will be accessed on the following link which will go live on 9th October and will run until 10th January 2025: https://consultations.ne-derbyshire.urbanintelligence.co.uk (Please note clicking the link outside the timeframe will take you to an empty page).

I will also be writing to all registered users of our local plan database and on the Council's corporate bulletin email alert system. The call for sites will also be advertised on the Council's website as well as on the Council's social media channels and through an article in the November edition of The News which will go to every household in the District.

Please note that we will only be accepting site submissions through the online portal, this will ensure that all necessary details are provided and will facilitate analysis. We recognise that some people may need help with this, and so we are offering the facility for planning officers to guide them through the submission process.

It is important to note that the call for sites and subsequent site assessment processes are intended to inform the evidence base for the Local Plan and do not confer any form of consent, indicate that planning permission will be granted or suggest that the sites are suitable for allocating in a planning policy document. Furthermore, the Land Availability Assessment is not a material planning consideration in the determination of planning applications.

If you have any questions about this process please contact me or a member of the Planning Policy & Environment Team.

Kind regards

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