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Dear planning consultee

On 6th December 2023, the Government brought in regulations detailing increased statutory planning fees. Within these regulations and alongside changes to the statutory planning fees, we would like to highlight that the Planning Guarantee for non-major planning applications (including householder developments) has been reduced from 26 to 16 weeks. This means applicants may have their planning fee returned if a decision has not been made within 16 weeks of submitting their application and an extension of time has not been agreed.

Local Planning Authorities are expected to determine applications within the statutory timescales and in light of the above, it is important we receive timely responses to planning consultations. If you fail to respond within the 21 day consultation period, the case officer may proceed to decide the application in the absence of your advice, assuming that no response means that you have no comments to make.

It should be noted that whilst Local Planning Authorities still have the option of using extensions of time, the government has set out that these should only be used in exceptional circumstances. We would also draw your attention to the planning practice guidance ([Consultation and pre-decision matters - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/consultation-and-pre-decision-matters)) which sets out that statutory consultees should do all they can to meet the deadline for representation and that it should not usually be necessary for an extension to be proposed. In the current circumstances therefore, we must do all that we can do to ensure that applications are considered within the statutory time frame.

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Kind regards

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