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Dear Jonathan,

### **Review of Knowsley Park Local Wildlife Site Boundary**

I am writing to inform you of a change to the boundary of Knowsley Park Local Wildlife Site (LWS).

In 2012 MEAS, as the lead organisation for the North Merseyside Local Sites Partnership (LSP), was contacted by Knowsley Estate with regard to the boundary of this LWS. They had been in discussions with the Council over potential areas of green belt release around Knowsley Village (see document 'Knowsley Park SBI'). The Council had advised the Estate that these areas were designated within the LWS and there would be ecological constraints if they were released from the green belt. The Estate contacted MEAS to query the boundary and discuss the justification for inclusion. MEAS informed the Council of this request upon contact from the Estate.

Following on from the above, the Estate provided ecological information and professional opinion on the specific areas in question, which was analysed by MEAS on behalf of the LSP. I concluded that these areas no longer warranted inclusion within the LWS and the boundary should be redrawn. I consulted the LSP on this and they agreed. This action was also raised with Justin in March 2013. The boundary change has been made and is now the definitive boundary.

I advise the Council to update any information or systems that may refer to, or make use of, Local Sites. I attach an updated GIS layer that includes all the Knowsley LWSs. An updated map is also included, as is the citation (which has not changed).

Yours sincerely,

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Encs: Knowsley Park SBI; 40 – Knowsley Park v2; KnowsleyPark; Knowsley LWS 2013 (GIS layer)

Copies: Justin Wilson & Gareth Wildgoose, Policy Planning, Knowsley Council

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