Dear Sir/Madam

SNH Evening Reception – Dunfermline, Tuesday 26 February 2013

I am writing to invite you, or a representative, to join me for an informal reception at Dunfermline Athletic Football Club on Tuesday 26 February from 6.00 pm to 7.30 pm. The purpose of the evening is simply to provide an opportunity for key local people to meet informally with some of our board and senior staff, and to enable you to discuss with us issues of mutual interest.

In any large public service organisation there is always the risk of becoming too remote from those who use and pay for the services that we provide. In order to avoid this SNH maintains an unusually extensive network of area offices employing locally based staff who try hard to ensure that they maintain good local contacts and a clear awareness of current issues and priorities. For senior figures in the organisation the risk remains, however, and for this reason we hold fortnightly informal receptions around the country attended by myself, at least one other board member, and a number of senior officials.

These receptions are intended to enable dialogue, but they can only be effective when local people are willing to come along and share their thoughts with us. I do hope that you will be able to join us for at least some of the evening, and I would be very grateful if you would RSVP by e-mail to CUPAR @SNH.GOV.UK or by phoning 01334 654038 in order to give us an idea of how many people to expect. Tea and coffee will be provided but please let us know if you have any special dietary requirements.

With best wishes

ANDREW THIN