## CONSENT TO CLOSE HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT

- 1. The Secretary of State, in exercise of her powers under section 74(4) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 ("the 1989 Act"), hereby consents to Chester-le-Street District Council ("the Council"), not keeping a Housing Revenue Account from 31 March 2009 and for subsequent years from this point, subject to the condition specified in paragraph 2 below.
- 2. If at any time after the date of this direction, the Council once again possesses property to which section 74(1) of the 1989 Act applies, the Council shall keep a Housing Revenue Account as required by that section, and shall immediately notify the Secretary of State that the Council is once again keeping a Housing Revenue Account.

## **Ann Williams**

Department for Communities and Local Government for and on behalf of the Secretary of State

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