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Dear Consultee,

The Future of Northwood House & Park

As Chairman of the Northwood House Charitable Trust I am writing to ask for your participation in a public consultation which is very important to us in planning for the future of Northwood House and Park. The task of the Trustees is to ensure the future of the whole Estate and the views of the public are of great interest to us in formulating plans for the best way forward to achieve this.

The Trustees have been advised by the Charity Commission that we should consult as widely as possible with stakeholders at this time. With assistance from the Commission and other professionals, we have now prepared a detailed briefing document to give you reasonably full and up-to-date information so that individuals and organisations can form a view and then either put forward submissions or respond to our questionnaire.

We wish to keep printing and paper use to a minimum and this document and the accompanying questionnaire are available to download or read online via our website, www.northwoodhouse.org/consultation. It will be emailed to many consultees; in addition, paper copies can be obtained from the Trustees at the addresses shown on this letter. The questionnaire can be completed online, or alternatively by printing it and either scanning and emailing it or submitting it in hardcopy form to the Trustees' office.

Please take the time to read and digest the information which has been prepared to try to assist you on what we see as the relevant issues before completing the questionnaire. I hope you will find it interesting and that you will take this opportunity to give your views. If you have any questions, please contact any of those named in the document direct or by email, telephone or in writing.

We have allowed more than five clear weeks to ensure the consultation is as effective as possible. If you know of any other organisation or individual you think should be contacted to take part in this consultation please either pass on the information or give us the details so that we can send a copy to them.

We look forward to receiving your completed questionnaires as soon as possible. **The closing date is 30 April 2011.**

Yours sincerely,

Ann Thwaites

Chairman, Board of Trustees of Northwood House Charitable Trust