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To: Headteachers of Central Area schools

Dear Colleague

Review of School Organisation

Before half term you received a letter from Bryan Slater informing you of the name of your lead officer for the review. By now I hope that you will have met or have arranged to meet to discuss the possible outcomes of review in your area. We would like to give you and your chair of governors some feedback on the possible options that are emerging for the review across the wider area.

In order to provide an opportunity for this to happen, we are organising a series of three conferences for the end of this term and hope that you and your chair of governors will be able to join us at the appropriate meeting for your cluster. If this is a problem for either of you, I hope that you will be able to ensure that you can both be represented.

During the meeting we will:

- Share emerging thoughts about review of school organisation in Norwich
- Pick up any specific issues of interest – for example pupil number forecasting
- Consider the emerging community, child care and early years issues
- Provide an opportunity for cluster group discussion
- Inform you about the next steps in the review process

To facilitate discussion, we have organised three meetings on a cluster basis and have tried to find appropriate venues. Location maps are attached.

**1. Tuesday 1st April 2003 at the Holiday Inn, Ipswich Road, Norwich
9.30 – 12.45 (lunch provided)**

- Hewett cluster
- City of Norwich cluster
- Notre Dame cluster
- Hethersett cluster

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**2. Thursday 3rd April 2003 at Wensum Valley Hotel and Country Club, Taverham
9.30 – 12.45 (lunch provided)**

- Taverham cluster
- Hellesdon cluster
- Earlham cluster

**3. Thursday 10th April 2003 at Wensum Valley Hotel and Country Club, Taverham
12.45 – 16.00 (lunch provided)**

- Blyth Jex cluster
- Sprowston cluster
- Heartsease cluster

Please could you let Ali Ottaway know (01603 222994 or ali.ottaway.edu@norfolk.gov.uk) if you and your chair of governors are able to attend, or the names of your representatives if either of you cannot attend.

Yours sincerely

David Lennard Jones
Senior Education Officer
(Strategic Management)

cc. **Chair of Governors**

Holiday Inn, Ipswich Road, Norwich
Tel (0870) 400 9060

Directions from central Norwich:

Take the A140 Ipswich Road. The Hotel is on your left, approximately one mile after leaving the outer ring road.

Directions from the A47 Southern Bypass:

Exit the A47 at the A140 junction. Turn left at the roundabout, towards Norwich. The Hotel is on your right after approximately one mile.



Holiday Inn

Wensum Valley Hotel Golf & County Club, Beech Avenue, Taverham, Norwich
Tel (01603) 261012

Taverham benefits from excellent road communications, being a short drive from the A47 Norwich Southern bypass linking the Midlands with Gt Yarmouth and being fed from the A11 from London's M25/M11 and the new A14. Norwich Railway station is 7 miles away, while Norwich Airport is ten minutes by car.

From Norwich take the A1067 Fakenham Road. After entering Taverham, Beech Avenue is the third left, after the Jet garage.

From the A47 southern bypass follow the sign to Swaffham. At the end of the bypass you will approach a roundabout. Take the 3rd exit to Ringland. You will then come to a T-junction, turn left, follow the road to another T-junction, turn left again, follow the road round and over a bridge. Take first turning left after the bridge. We are 100 yards on the left.

