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Dear Eric

**HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MOTION REGARDING OPPOSITION
TO THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE POSTCODE ADDRESS FILE
ADVISORY BOARD**

At a meeting of Hampshire County Council on Thursday 16 September 2010, the Council considered the following Motion:

"Hampshire County Council welcomes the Secretary of State's opposition to the recommendation of the Postcode Address File Advisory Board to delete historic county names from the Royal Mail's address database and suggests instead that as an easy economy the coalition Government abolishes the Postcode Address File Advisory Board."

Members were strongly opposed to the recommendation by the PAF Board to delete county names from the Royal Mail's address database. The County Council believes that the use of county names in addresses is not only important in historical terms but also for identification purposes for business and personal mail.

As the Motion received the full support of the Council, I am bringing this matter to your attention.

Yours sincerely

Ken Thornber
Leader