Cumberland Council

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended)

Regulation 26: Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039 – Adoption Statement

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the above Regulations, that Cumberland Council has adopted the *Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039* on 5th November 2024.

The Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039 replaces the Copeland Local Plan 2013-2028: Core Strategy and Development Policies DPD and the remaining saved policies from the Copeland Local Plan 2001-2016.

The Local Plan provides the framework for guiding development and investment up to 2039 in the former Copeland area of Cumberland outside the Lake District National Park. The Local Plan includes a number of Strategic and Development Management policies and land allocations that provide a framework for growth, infrastructure provision and contribute to decision making on future planning applications.

The Local Plan was the subject of an independent Examination by Caroline Mulloy BSc (Hons), DipTP, MRTPI, a Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State. In her report, issued on 23rd September 2024, the Inspector concluded that the duty to cooperate had been met, and that with the recommended Main Modifications set out in the appendices to her report the Local Plan is sound.

Pursuant with Section 23 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, the Council has incorporated all of the Main Modifications identified by the Planning Inspector in the adopted *Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039*.

The adopted Local Plan comprises:

- Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039
- Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039 Appendices
- Copeland Local Plan Proposals Map North
- Copeland Local Plan Proposals Map South

The Local Plan, Adoption Statement and Sustainability Appraisal, together with the Inspector's Report and all other associated documents are available to view on the Council's website: https://www.copeland.gov.uk/content/copeland-local-plan-adoption.

The adoption documents are also available to view at the Council Offices in the Market Hall, Market Place, Whitehaven, CA28 7JG, and at the following libraries during their normal opening hours:

- Cleator Moor Library Market Square, Cleator Moor, CA25 5AP
- Distington Library Link Church Road, Distington, CA14 5TE

- Egremont Library West Lakes Academy, Main Street, Egremont CA22 2DQ
- Frizington Library Main Street, Frizington CA26 3PF
- Gosforth Library Link Public Hall, Gosforth, Seascale CA20 1AS
- Seascale Library Link Gosforth Rd, Seascale CA20 1PN
- Millom Library Millom Community Hub, Salthouse Road, Millom, LA18 5AB
- Whitehaven Library Lowther Street, Whitehaven, CA28 7QZ

Any person aggrieved by the adoption of the *Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039* may make an application to the High Court under Section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 on the ground that:

- the document is not within the appropriate power;
- a procedural requirement has not been complied with.

Any such application should be made promptly and, in any event, no later than the end of the six-week period beginning with the day after the date the Local Plan was adopted (i.e. six weeks from 6th November 2024).

For further information please email LocalPlanConsultation@Cumberland.gov.uk or call 01946 598300.