Cumberland Council Development Control The Copeland Centre Catherine Street Whitehaven Cumbria CA28 7SJ

Our ref:NO/2023/115666/02-L01Your ref:4/23/2319/0F1

Date:

22 December 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

## CHANGE OF USE TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. 4 DRYDEN WAY, EGREMONT

Thank you for re-consulting us on the above planning application

## **Environment Agency position**

In our letter referenced NO/2023/115666/01-L01 and dated 30 November 2023, we objected to this application on the basis of an unacceptable Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) (Flood Risk Assessment – 4 Dryden Way, Egremont, CA22 2HA) which did not meet the minimum requirements of an FRA in line with the guidance: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-and-coastal-change#para20">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-and-coastal-change#para20</a>

We have now reviewed the updated FRA 'Flood Risk Assessment – 4 Dryden Way, Egremont, CA22 2HA dated 12th December 2023' and while some improvements have been made it doesn't fully meet the points outlined in our objection.

However, on balance and due the improvements made, and being mindful of the nature and scale of the development, it being a change back to a dwelling house, we are minded to remove our objection.

As a result of the amended FRA, the applicant, as owners of the existing property, will be aware of the potential flood risk and frequency. The applicant should be satisfied that the impact of any flooding will not adversely affect their proposals.

Yours faithfully

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