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

**Our ref:** NO/2024/115922/01-L01  
**Your ref:** 4/24/2060/0F1  
**Date:** 01 March 2024

Dear Wootton

**ERECT ROOF OVER EXISTING SHEEP PENS.  
PART FIELD NO 1654 & 1041, NEAR GREEN ROAD, THE GREEN**

Thank you for consulting us on the above planning application.

**Environment Agency position**

We have no objection to this application, but we have the following comments:

**Proximity to main river**

The watercourse to the southwest of the site is a designated statutory main river. In addition to any planning approval, the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 require a permit to be obtained for any activities which will take place:

- on or within 8 metres of a main river (16 metres if tidal)
- on or within 8 metres of a flood defence structure or culverted main river (16 metres if tidal)
- on or within 16 metres of a sea defence
- involving quarrying or excavation within 16 metres of any main river, flood defence (including a remote defence) or culvert
- in the floodplain of a main river if the activity could affect flood flow or storage and potential impacts are not controlled by a planning permission

For further guidance please visit <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-activities-environmental-permits> or contact our National Customer Contact Centre on 03708 506 506. The applicant should not assume that a permit will automatically be forthcoming once planning permission has been granted, and we advise them to consult with us at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely

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