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For the attention of: Chris Harrison

Cumberland Council (Copeland area)

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21 March 2024

Dear Chris Harrison

Re: 4/24/2085/0B1

VARIATION OF DRAINAGE SCHEME, DETACHED GARAGE DESIGN AND LANDSCAPING SCHEME APPROVED UNDER APPLICATION REF. 4/22/2332/0F1; LAND TO THE WEST OF, VALLEY VIEW ROAD, WHITEHAVEN

Thank you for your notification of 13 March 2024 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

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I have reviewed the proposals and confirm that the application site falls within the Coal Authority's defined Development High Risk Area. Therefore within the application site and surrounding area there are recorded coal mining features present at surface or shallow depths. The risk these features may pose should be considered as part of the planning process.

The Coal Authority recommendation to the LPA:

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me on the above number.

Yours

General information for the applicant

Disclaimer

The above consultation response is provided by the Coal Authority as a statutory consultee and is based upon the latest available data and the electronic consultation records held by the Coal Authority since 1 April 2013. The comments made are also based on the information provided to the Coal Authority by the Local Planning Authority and/or information that has been published on the Council's website for consultation purposed in relation to this specific planning application. The views and conclusions contained in this response may be subject to review and amendment by the Coal Authority if additional or new data/information (such as a revised Coal Mining Risk Assessment) is provided by the Local Planning Authority or the applicant for consultation purposes.

In formulating this response the Coal Authority has taken full account of the professional conclusions reached by the competent person who has prepared the Coal Mining Risk Assessment or other similar report. In the event that any future claim for liability arises in relation to this development the Coal Authority will take full account of the views, conclusions and mitigation previously expressed by the professional advisors for this development in relation to ground conditions and the acceptability of development.