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**For the attention of: Ms S Papaleo – Case Officer**  
Cumberland Council (Copeland area)

[By email: [Development.Control3@cumberland.gov.uk](mailto:Development.Control3@cumberland.gov.uk)]

27th June 2024

Dear Ms Papaleo

**Re: 4/24/2194/0B1 - Application to vary conditions 6, 7, 8, 11, 12 and 13 and to remove condition 10 of application 4/16/2416/001 - outline application for 10 residential dwellings (phase 1); Land to Frontage of Harras Road, Harras Moor, Whitehaven**

Thank you for your notification of the 11th June 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.

We previously commented on this site in a letter to the LPA dated 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016, and raised no objections as the site lay in the Development Low Risk Area. Our records have been updated in the intervening years and now the eastern corner of the site falls within the Development High Risk Area, due to the presence of a coal outcrop which may have been worked at shallow depth.

I can confirm that the Planning team at Coal Authority have no objection to the variation and removal of conditions as proposed.

Yours sincerely

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