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Your Reference: 4/21/2432/0F1  
Our Reference: SL16/C0228892/542719/SGS

Dear Nick

## **PLANNING CONSULTATION – SPRINKLERS**

**APPLICATION NUMBER: 4/21/2432/0F1**

**PREMISES: FORMER MARCHON CHEMICAL FACTORY, HIGH ROAD, WHITEHAVEN.**

**HYBRID APPLICATION SEEKING FULL PLANNING PERMISSION FOR THE ERECTION OF 139 RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS (C3), NEW VEHICULAR ACCESSES OFF HIGH ROAD, PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AND ANCILLARY INFRASTRUCTURE AND OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT UNITS, RETAIL (E(A,B,C,E,F), F2(A) AND ANCILLARY INFRASTRUCTURE WITH ALL MATTERS RESERVED OTHER THAN ACCESS.**

Following examination of plans in connection with the above application, I have to inform you that the Fire Authority has no objections to this application. Provided that Requirement B5: Access and Facilities for the fire service. Approved Document B (fire safety) volume 1: Dwellings are met.

Cumbria Fire and Rescue Service is committed to reducing the impact of fire on people, property and the environment. For this reason, it is recommended that the applicant should give consideration to the inclusion of a sprinkler system within the design of the premises.

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There is clear evidence that sprinklers and other forms of automatic fire suppression systems can be effective in the rapid suppression of fires and therefore play an important role in achieving a range of benefits for both individuals and the community in general.

This is because sprinklers can significantly help to:

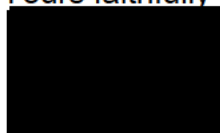
- Improve the time available to escape from a fire
- Reduce death and injury from fire
- Reduce the risks to fire fighters who we ask to fight the fires
- Protect property
- Reduce the effects of arson
- Reduce the environmental impact of fire

These benefits may far outweigh the installation costs of new sprinkler systems.

For more information on sprinklers, visit the British Automatic Fire Sprinkler Association at [www.bafsa.org.uk](http://www.bafsa.org.uk)

If you would like to discuss this or any other matter of fire safety, please contact me at the above details.

Yours faithfully



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Fire Protection  
For the Chief Fire Officer

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