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The Finlan Centre
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Development Management
Copeland Borough Council
Market Hall
Market Place
Whitehaven
CA28 7JG

Dear Sir/Madam

RE: Renewal of Temporary Planning Permission (4 Years) for a Car Park on Land at Preston Street Whitehaven

We are writing to inform you that we have submitted a planning application (via the Planning Portal) to renew the temporary permission for a long stay car park on land at Preston Street, Whitehaven.

The car park has now been operational since February 2018 and has helped serve people looking for long stay car parking who are either visiting or working in Whitehaven Town Centre. Whilst there are longer term redevelopment plans emerging for the site and adjoining vacant land, these proposals are unlikely to be implemented in advance of the current four year temporary consent expiring. Therefore, permission is sought for a renewal of the existing consent to grant a further four year temporary permission to enable the car park to continue to serve the town centre whilst the redevelopment plans are finalised.

Following the grant of planning permission in January 2018, all of the necessary works required by that consent were carried out prior to the car park opening. The surfaced 8 disabled bays are still in good order as is the site access and boundary wall. The necessary access and visibly splays were also implemented as agreed. Therefore, it is proposed that no additional works are required for the renewal of the 4 year permission.

In the three and a half years that the car park has been operational, there have been no issues in terms of highways impact or highway safety which underlines the robustness of the original Transport Assessment that was submitted with the previous planning application. That Transport Assessment has been attached to this application for information.

We trust that the application submitted includes all of the necessary information and we look forward to receiving confirmation of its validation.

Yours sincerely

Keith Nutter
Planning Director