

Copeland area Planning Department, Cumberland Council

For the attention of Sarah Papaleo

Date: 7 January 2026

Your reference: 4/23/2275/0F1

Dear Sarah Papaleo

## **CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATION**

**Appn: 4/23/2275/0F1**  
**Site Address: CLEATOR MOOR LIBRARY, MARKET SQUARE, CLEATOR MOOR**  
**Proposal: EXTENSION AND ALTERATION OF EXISTING BUILDING TO  
CREATE A COMMUNITY HUB INCLUDING CAFÉ, RELOCATION OF  
EXISTING SCULPTURES TO REAR OF BUILDING, PUBLIC REALM  
IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING RESTORATION OF MEMORIAL  
FOUNTAIN AND CREATION OF NEW LANDSCAPED AREAS,  
ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS**

Thank you for your consultation on the above Planning Application and additional email sent on 15/12/25 regarding previous comments.

The Local Highway Authority (LHA) and Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) have reviewed all information within the above application and can confirm as follows :

### **Active Travel :**

The revisions to the cycle parking locations and increase provision is welcomed, as is the CCTV coverage of cycle parking locations. The cycle parking could still be considered as short stay – suitable for visitors but potentially not suitable for staff. Suitability will depend on the type of bike visitors/staff may have. Visitors/staff may be happy putting a low value cycle outside but an e-bike or higher value cycle may be classed as high risk. The email response doesn't reference long stay cycle parking for staff or secure cycle parking for visitors.

Secure cycle parking is important for visitors as e-bikes are now a more common form of transport. We welcome the developer to provide some cycle lockers as part of the development.

**Lead Local Flood Authority response:**

The LLFA have no objection in principle but would like the following points addressed before a final response can be issued

- It is assumed there is no change to the existing drainage system that serves the current property as no drainage details have been submitted in support of this application.
- The LLFA would welcome some detail on how the surface water from the proposed new extension will either connect to the existing system of the building, or connect to its own surface water system.

**Conclusion:**

In light to the above comments additional details are required from the applicant.

Upon receipt of the amended plans I shall be better placed to provide full response.

Yours sincerely

**Paul Telford**  
Development Management Officer