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Copeland area Planning Department, Cumberland Council

For the attention of Planning Officer

Date: 5 August 2025

Your reference: 4/25/2235/0F1

Dear Planning Officer

### **CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATION**

**Appn: 4/25/2235/0F1**  
**Site Address: 20 LINGMELL CRESCENT, SEASCALE**  
**Proposal: ERECTION OF A 1.8 METRE HIGH GARDEN FENCE**

Thank you for your consultation on the above Planning Application.

The Local Highway Authority (LHA) and Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) can confirm as follows:

We have concern with the proposed fence height and its position adjacent to the highway.

As proposed the fence will block any pedestrian/vehicle inter-visibility from Hallsenna Road around the junction and up onto Lingmell Crescent in all directions.

Furthermore it will make the footway area dark and unsafe for pedestrians by reducing natural surveillance and may increase anti social behaviour, which may discourage pedestrians from using the footway and walk within the carriageway, from a highway and urban crime perspective this is not desirable.

The fence will hinder future maintenance needed for the footway.

With the above in mind the Local Highway Authority recommends refusal for the following reason:

**Refusal** The Local Planning Authority considers that the proposed development (fence) would interfere with the inter-visibility of traffic and pedestrians with consequent danger to highway users by virtue of its proximity to existing junctions and existing footways, it will also reduced natural surveillance which could lead to an increase in anti social behaviour.

Yours sincerely

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