

Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004

South Lakeland Local Development Framework

Statement of Community Involvement - Submission Draft (November 2005)

REGULATION 31 REPRESENTATIONS STATEMENT

Consultation undertaken under Regulation 28

We amended the draft SCI in view of the comments received, and formally submitted this version to the Secretary of State on Thursday **10 November 2005**. From Friday **11 November** to Friday **23 December 2005**, we undertook consultation on our submitted SCI. Letters were sent by first class on 10 November and emails on the morning of 11 November.

- The SCI and DPD matters were available at the Council's main offices at South Lakeland House, Kendal and Ulverston Town Hall; and also at the libraries at Arnside, Grange over Sands, Kendal, Kirkby Lonsdale, Milnthorpe and Ulverston – these being the same locations as listed in the Reg. 28 Statement.
- The document and DPD matters were published on our website, along with advice on where and when paper copies were available for inspection.
- We placed an advertisement in the Westmorland Gazette and the North West Evening Mail, which was carried on Friday 11 November 2005.
- We sent copies (either by letter, or by email with a link to the Council's website) of the document, along with the pre-submission consultation statement (Reg. 28 Statement), the DPD matters and details of the time and place where the documents were available for inspection, to the bodies listed in Appendix A, being a detailed list of the bodies consulted.
- We notified those individuals who asked to be notified of the submission – these are also indicated in Appendix A.
- We further publicised the submission and availability of the document at presentations to Neighbourhood Forums at Allithwaite on 23 November 2005, Ulverston on 30 November 2005 and Heversham on 6 December 2005.

We enclose a copy of the advertisement as well as a copy of the DPD matters in Appendix B.

We have received 20 representations and comments, comprising the following:-

- 16 formal representations
 - 6 supporting
 - 3 objecting
 - 7 objecting to an omission
- 1 withdrawn objection
- 3 other comments

1 individual wishes to appear and present their case at a public examination. The remaining objectors wish to have their objections considered as a written representation.

- We have made the representations received available at the same locations as the SCI was available for inspection (as listed above under Regulation 28 consultation)
- We have published the representations received on our website as a table listing these in full.
- We have summarised the main issues raised at Appendix C.
- We hereby send copies of all the representations received, recorded in full in the table at Appendix D, with accompanying paper copies of the actual representations.
- We intend to provide a response to the main issues raised in the near future.

APPENDIX A

STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT – REGULATION 28 CONSULTATION (NOVEMBER 2005) - CONSULTEES

✓ denotes request at Regulation 26 consultation to be notified of Submission to Secretary of State

AGENCY		Kirkbie Kendal School	
British Waterways		Lake District National Park Authority	
Centre for Ecology and Hydrology		Lakes Market Towns Partnership	
Civil Aviation Authority		Member of Parliament	
Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment		Milnthorpe Residents Association	
Crown Estate		Morecambe Bay Hospitals NHS Trust	
Cumbria Constabulary		Morecambe Bay Primary Care Trust	
Cumbria County Fire Service		Oxenholme Community Association	
Cumbria Rural Enterprise Agency	✓	Queen Elizabeth School	
Cumbria Vision		Queen Katherine School	
Forestry Commission, Lakes Forest District		Rinkfield Residents Association	
Housing Corporation		Sandylands Residents Association	
Invest in Cumbria		SE Highgate Residents Association	
Learning and Skills Council		South Lakeland Council for Voluntary Service	
Morecambe Bay Hospitals NHS Trust		South Lakeland Local Strategic Partnership & following Task Groups:	
Morecambe Bay Primary Care Trust		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children's Action Network • Affordable Housing • Community Involvement • Jobs, Skills & Regeneration • Environment 	
Network Rail		St Martin's College	
Rural Regeneration Cumbria		Summerlands Village Residents Association	
Sport England - North West Region		Ulverston and Low Furness MTI Partnership	✓
Sustainability Northwest		Ulverston Victoria High School	
The Planning Inspectorate		Young Cumbria	
		Youth Council	
		Tim Farron, Member of Parliament	
COMMUNITY		CONSULTANT	
Arnside Village Society		Barden Planning Consultants	
Carlisle & Eden Local Strategic Partnership		Bidwells Carpenter Planning	
Carnforth Regeneration Partnership		Broadway Malyan	
Cartmel Priory C of E School		Derek Hicks & Thew	
Cartmel Village Society		DPDS Consulting Group	
Casterton School		England and Lyle	
Castle Walk Residents Association		F.E.R Consulting	
Church Commissioners		GL Hearn	
Croftlands Community Association		Hanson Walford Marston	
Cumbria Association of Local Councils (CALC)		Higham & Co.	✓
Cumbria Association of Local Councils (CALC)		Indigo Planning	
Cumbria Association of Local Councils (CALC)(South Lakes)		Local Dialogue LLP	
Cumbria Police Authority		Malcolm Judd & Partners (for National Grid)	
Development Overview & Scrutiny Committee		MCP Planning & Development	
Diocesan Board of Finance		Rural Innovation	
Gallowbarrow Residents Association		Sanderson Weatherall	
Grange 3Ps Group			
Hallgarth Residents Association			
Rt Hon Sir Robert Atkins, House of Lords			
Kendal Athletics Club			
Kendal College			
Kendal Partnership			

Stephens Associates	
Stephenson Halliday	
Storeys:ssp	
Taylor and Hardy	
The Barton Willmore Planning Partnership – Northern	
The Planning Bureau Ltd	
Ms Judith Notley	
COUNCILS	
Aldingham Parish Council	
Arnside Parish Council	
Barbon Parish Council	
Bay Sustainability Action Group	
Beetham Parish Council	
Blawith & Subberthwaite Parish Council	
Burneside Parish Council	
Burton-in-Kendal Parish Council	
Casterton Parish Council	
Docker Parish Meeting	
Duddon Parish Council	
Egton-with-Newland, Mansriggs & Osmotherley Parish Council	
Firbank Parish Meeting	
Grange Town Council	
Grayrigg Parish Meeting	
Helsington Parish Council	
Heversham Parish Council	
Hincaster Parish Meeting	
Holme Parish Council	
Hutton Roof Parish Council	
Kendal Town Council	
Killington Parish Meeting	
Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council	
Kirkby Lonsdale Town Council	
Lambrigg Parish Meeting	
Levens Parish Council	
Lower Allithwaite Parish Council	
Lower Holker Parish Council	
Lowick Parish Council	
Lupton Parish Council	
Mansergh Parish Meeting	
Middleton Parish Meeting	
Milnthorpe Parish Council	
Natland Parish Council	
New Hutton Parish Council	
Old Hutton & Holmescales Parish Council	
Pennington Parish Council	
Preston Patrick Parish Council	
Preston Richard Parish Council	
Scalthwaiteirigg Parish Council	
Sedgwick Parish Council	
Skelsmergh Parish Council	

Stainton Parish Council	
Ulverston Town Council	
Urswick Parish Council	✓
Whinfell Parish Meeting	
Whitwell & Selside Parish Meeting	
NEIGHBOURING COUNCILS	
Askam and Ireleth Parish Council	
Barrow Borough Council	
Broughton East Parish Council	
Carlisle City Council	
Colton Parish Council	
Copeland Borough Council	
Craven District Council	
Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Council	
Dalton Town with Newland Parish Council	
Dent Parish Council	
Eden District Council	
Fawcett Forest Parish Meetings	
Haverthwaite Parish Council	
Ireby and Leck Parish Council	
Lake District National Park Authority	
Lancashire County Council	
Lancaster City Council	
Lindal and Marton Parish Council	
Longsleddale Parish Meetings	
Millom Parish Council	
Millom without Parish Council	
North Yorkshire County Council	
Orton Parish Council	
Priest Hutton Parish Council	
Sedbergh Parish Council	
Silverdale Parish Council	✓
Staveley-in-Cartmel Parish Council	
Staveley-with-Ings Parish Council	
Tebay Parish Council	
Underbarrow and Bradleyfield Parish Council	
Upper Allithwaite Parish Council	
Whittington Parish Council	
Witherslack, Meathop and Ulpha Parish Council	
Yealand Conyers Parish Council	
Yealand Redmayne Parish Council	
Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority	
Burrow -with-Burrow Parish Meeting	
OTHER COUNCIL DEPARTMENT/OFFICERS	
Cumbria County Council – Head of Environment	
Cumbria County Council - Education	
Cumbria County Council – Equalities Officer	
Cumbria County Council – Sustainability Manager	
Cumbria County Council – Interim Support Manager, South Lakes	
Cumbria County Council – SL Area Engineer	

Cumbria County Council - Transport & Spatial Planning	
Cumbria County Council – County Archaeologist	
Cumbria County Council – County Ecologist	
South Lakeland District Council - Policy Manager	
South Lakeland District Council – Community & Housing Manager	
South Lakeland District Council – Development Control Teams	
South Lakeland District Council - Chief Executive	
South Lakeland District Council – Strategic Director Customer Services	
South Lakeland District Council – Cultural & Economic Prosperity Manager	
South Lakeland District Council – East of District Market Towns Officer	
South Lakeland District Council - Crime and Disorder Partnership	
South Lakeland District Council – Tourism & Marketing Officer	
South Lakeland District Council – Head of Strategy and Performance	
South Lakeland District Council – Head of Commercial & Technical Services	
South Lakeland District Council – Head of Neighbourhood Services	
DEVELOPERS, LANDOWNERS, AGENTS	
Briery Homes Ltd	
Carigiet Cowan	
Carter Jonas	
Hackney & Leigh	
House Builders Federation	
L & W Wilson (Endmoor) Ltd	
Mealbank Properties Ltd	
Neil Price Ltd	
Peill & Co	
Persimmon Homes (Lancashire) LTD	
Poole Townsend	
Priory Building	
Robert Hughes Ltd	
Russell Armer Ltd	
Taylor Woodrow Developments Ltd	
TRAC - South Lakes	✓
Margaret Dodgson, Spital Farm, Kendal	
GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS	
DEFRA, RDS	
Department of Work and Pensions	
Government Office for the North West	
Department for Constitutional Affairs	
OTHER INTERESTS	
Age Concern - South Lakeland	
Aggregate Industries UK Ltd	✓

AISLE (Access in South Lakeland)	
Ancient Monuments Society	
Area Panel - Kendal, c/o South Lakes Housing	
Area Panel - Kendal, c/o South Lakes Housing	
Area Panel - Lakes, c/o South Lakes Housing	
Arnside Silverdale AONB	
Barclays Bank Business Services	
Beck Community Centre	
Brewery Arts Centre	
British Trust for Conservation Volunteers	
Broughton Business Association	✓
Broughton Chamber of Trade	
Business Link for Cumbria	
C & J Clark Properties	
Castle Green Hotel	
Churches Together in Cumbria	
Community Action Furness	
Community Transport South Lakeland	
Connexions	
Council for British Archaeology	
Country Land and Business Association	
Cumberland & Westmorland Antiquarian & Archaeological Group	
Cumbria & Lakeland Self Caterers Association	
Cumbria Arts in Education	
Cumbria Biodiversity Partnership	✓
Cumbria Bridleways Society	
Cumbria Broadleaves	
Cumbria Chamber of Commerce	
Cumbria Community Foundation	
Cumbria Constabulary - Crime Prevention	
Cumbria County Council - (Youth Development)	
Cumbria Cricket Board	
Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers	
Cumbria Hockey Association	
Cumbria Joint Agency Gypsy & Travellers Strategic Planning Group	
Cumbria Lawn Tennis Association	
Cumbria Magistrates Courts Committee	
Cumbria Probation Service	
Cumbria RIGS Group	
Cumbria Rural CAB	
Cumbria Rural Housing Trust	
Cumbria Sport	
Cumbria Sure Start	
Cumbria Tourist Board	
Cumbria Wildlife Trust	
Cumbria Youth Alliance	
Disability Action - South Lakeland	
Distinctly Cumbrian	
Duddon Estuary Partnership	
Enterprising Communities	
Farley Health Products	

Farming & Wildlife Advisory Group	
Federation of Cumbrian Amenity Societies	✓
Federation of Small Businesses	
Freight Transport Association	
Friends of Eden, Lakeland & Lunesdale Scenery	
Friends of the Lake District (CPRE)	
Furness Energy Partnership	
Furness Enterprise	
Furness Greenways Partnership	
Furness Line Action Group	
Furness Multi Cultural Community Forum	
Gilbert Gilkes & Gordon	
GlaxoSmithKline	
Gleaston Water Mill	
Goodacre Carpets Ltd	
Grange & Cartmel Peninsula Trust	
Grange Civic Society	
Grange Rotary Club	
Grange-over-Sands and District Chamber of Trade	
Grange Time and Tide	
Healthy Communities Network	
Help The Aged	
Henry Cook Limited (Bilerud)	
Holker Estates Company Limited	
Home Housing Association	
Home Start South Lakeland	
Impact Housing Association	
James Cropper PLC	
Jobcentre Plus	
Kendal & District CAB	
Kendal & District Cycle Scene	
Kendal and South Lakes Shopmobility	
Kendal Civic Society	
Kendal College	
Kendal Retail Forum	
Kendal Rotary Club	
Kendal South Westmorland Rotary Club	
Kirkby Lonsdale & District Civic Society	
Kirkby Lonsdale Chamber of Trade	
Lake District Peninsulas Tourism Partnership	
Lakeland Arts Trust	
Lakeland Limited	
Lakes Action Line	
Lakes Hospitality Association	
Lancaster Canal - Northern Reaches Restoration Group	
Lancaster Canal Trust	
LEADER +	
Lunesdale Rotary Club	
Made in Cumbria	
Manna House	
Marl International Limited	
Mental Health Services	

Morecambe Bay Partnership	
National Farmers Union	
National Playing Fields Association	
Network Rail	
Newland Furnace Trust	
North West Arts	
North West Parachute Centre	
North West Planning Aid	
Northern Federation of Sport and Recreation	
NSPCC	
Oxley Developments	
Quarry Products Association	
Ramblers Association	
Road Haulage Association	
Royal Society for the Protection of Birds	
Rural Futures	
Rural Transport Partnership Cumbria	
Shelter Cumbria	
Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings	
South Cumbria Housing Forum	
South Lakeland Communities Trust	
South Lakeland Voluntary Society for the Blind	
South Lakeland Leisure	
South Lakes Chamber of Commerce	
South Lakeland Friends of the Earth	
South Lakes Gateway	
South Lakes Housing	
South Lakes Pensioners Forum	
St Martin's College	
Stagecoach-in-Cumbria	
Sustrans	
Tenants Committee (12 members individually)	
The British Wind Energy Association	
The Garden History Society	
The Georgian Group	
The National Trust	
The Theatres Trust	
The Twentieth Century Society	
The Victorian Society	
Transpennine Express	
Two Castles Housing Association	
Ulverston and District Civic Society	
Ulverston Better Towns Team	
Ulverston CAB	
Ulverston Licensed Victuallers Association	
Ulverston Rotary Club	
Ulverston Traders Association	
Ulverston Trades Council	
Urban Regeneration Company	
ViRSA	
Voluntary Action Cumbria	
Voluntary Action Cumbria	
Welfare State International	

West Lakes Renaissance	
Westmorland Agricultural Society	
Westmorland Football Association	
Westmorland Shopping Centre	
Wm Morrison Supermarkets plc	
Womens Institute	
Youth Sport Trust	
Mr David Brockbank	
MEDIA	
Bay Radio	
BBC Radio Cumbria	
BBC Television - North West	
Border Television	
Granada Television	
Lakeland Echo	
Lakeland Press Agency	
Lakeland Radio	
North West Evening Mail	
The Westmorland Gazette	
ELECTED MEMBERS	
Cumbria County Council (Cartmel)	
Cumbria County Council (Grange)	
Cumbria County Council (High Furnace)	
Cumbria County Council (Kendal Castle)	
Cumbria County Council (Kendal Highgate)	
Cumbria County Council (Kendal Nether)	
Cumbria County Council (Kendal South)	
Cumbria County Council (Kendal Strickland and Kent)	
Cumbria County Council (Kent Estuary)	
Cumbria County Council (Lakes)	
Cumbria County Council (Low Furness)	
Cumbria County Council (Lower Kentdale)	
Cumbria County Council (Lyth Valley)	
Cumbria County Council (Sedbergh and Kirkby Lonsdale)	
Cumbria County Council (Ulverston East)	
Cumbria County Council (Ulverston West)	
Cumbria County Council (Upper Kent)	
Cumbria County Council (Windermere)	
South Lakeland District Council (Arnside and Beetham)	
South Lakeland District Council (Broughton)	
South Lakeland District Council (Burneside)	
South Lakeland District Council (Burton and Holme)	
South Lakeland District Council (Cartmel)	
South Lakeland District Council (Coniston)	
South Lakeland District Council (Crake Valley)	
South Lakeland District Council (Crooklands)	
South Lakeland District Council (Grange)	

SLDC (Grange) & District Chamber of Trade	
South Lakeland District Council (Hawkshead)	
South Lakeland District Council (Holker)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Castle)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Far Cross)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Fell)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Glebelands)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Heron Hill)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Highgate)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Kirkland)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Mintsfeet)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Nether)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Oxenholme)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Parks)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Stonecross)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Strickland)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kendal Underley)	
South Lakeland District Council (Kirkby Lonsdale)	
South Lakeland District Council (Lakes Ambleside)	
South Lakeland District Council (Lakes Ambleside)	
South Lakeland District Council (Lakes Grasmere)	
South Lakeland District Council (Levens)	
South Lakeland District Council (Low Furnace & Swarthmoor)	
South Lakeland District Council (Low Furnace & Swarthmoor)	
South Lakeland District Council (Lyth Valley)	
South Lakeland District Council (Natland)	
South Lakeland District Council (Sedbergh)	
South Lakeland District Council (Sedbergh)	
South Lakeland District Council (Staveley in Cartmel)	
South Lakeland District Council (Staveley in Westmorland)	
South Lakeland District Council (Ulverston Central)	
South Lakeland District Council (Ulverston East)	
South Lakeland District Council (Ulverston North)	
South Lakeland District Council (Ulverston South)	
South Lakeland District Council (Ulverston Town)	
South Lakeland District Council (Ulverston West)	
South Lakeland District Council (Whinwell)	
South Lakeland District Council (Windermere Applethwaite)	
South Lakeland District Council (Windermere Bowness North)	
South Lakeland District Council (Windermere Bowness South)	

South Lakeland District Council (Windermere Town)	
MEMBERS OF PUBLIC	
Mr Fidden	
Mr Marks	
Mr Preston	
Mr Wilson	
Mr and Mrs Davison	
Mr Sarginson	
Mr Simm	
Dr Steele	
Mr & Mrs Wood	
STATUTORY CONSULTEES	
3G / BT / Orange / T-mobile / Vodaphone	
Cumbria and Lancashire Strategic Health Authority	
English Heritage - North West Region	
English Nature	
Environment Agency	
Highways Agency	
National Grid Transco	
North West Regional Assembly	
Northwest Regional Development Agency	
Northwest Regional Development Agency – Planning	
The Countryside Agency, North West Region	
United Utilities	
Yorkshire Forward	

APPENDIX B

Press Notice

SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT COUNCIL

PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004

The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004

South Lakeland Local Development Framework (Outside the Lake District and Yorkshire Dales National Parks)

Notice of Submission of Statement of Community Involvement to the Secretary of State

South Lakeland District Council has submitted its Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) – Submission Draft (November 2005) together with the Pre Submission Consultation Statement, to the Secretary of State for independent examination.

The SCI sets out how the Council intends to involve the community and relevant interests in preparing the Local Development Framework and in considering planning applications, for the area of South Lakeland District outside the Lake District and Yorkshire Dales National Parks.

Representations on the Submission Draft SCI can be made from Friday 11 November 2005 to no later than 12 Noon on Friday 23 December 2005, addressed to the Development Plans Manager, South Lakeland District Council, South Lakeland House, Kendal, LA9 4DL; by email to developmentplans@southlakeland.gov.uk or (preferably) submitted on-line via the Council's website www.southlakeland.gov.uk/ldf.

The above documents and representation form are also available for inspection during normal opening hours from 11 November 2005: at South Lakeland House, Kendal; Ulverston Town Hall and at the District's main libraries in Arnside, Grange-over-Sands, Kendal, Kirkby Lonsdale, Milnthorpe and Ulverston; details of which are listed in the SCI. They documents can also be viewed and downloaded from the District Council's website.

Representations may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified address of the recommendations of the person appointed to carry out the independent examination, or of the adoption of the SCI by the District Council, or both

For further information please ring 01539 733333 extension 7352

Peter Ridgway
Strategic Director (Customer Services)
South Lakeland District Council
11 November 2005

DPD Matters

**Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004
The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations
2004**

**South Lakeland Local Development Framework
(Outside the Lake District and Yorkshire Dales National Parks)**

**Notice of Submission of Statement of Community
Involvement to the Secretary of State (Reg. 28 Statement)**

South Lakeland District Council has submitted its Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) – Submission Draft (November 2005) together with the Pre Submission Consultation Statement and this Statement under Regulation 28 to the Secretary of State for independent examination.

The SCI sets out how the Council intends to involve the community and relevant interests in preparing the Local Development Framework and in considering planning applications, for the area of South Lakeland District outside the Lake District and Yorkshire Dales National Parks.

Representations on the Submission Draft SCI can be made during the 6 weeks from Friday 11 November 2005 to no later than 12 Noon on Friday 23 December 2005, addressed to the Development Plans Manager, South Lakeland District Council, South Lakeland House, Kendal, LA9 4DL; by email to developmentplans@southlakeland.gov.uk or (preferably) submitted on-line via the Council's website www.southlakeland.gov.uk/ldf.

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For further information please ring 01539 733333 extn. 7352

Iain Fairlamb
Development Plans Manager
South Lakeland District Council
10 November 2005

APPENDIX C

Summary of Main Issues arising from Objections

(Representations numbered as per Appendix D)

National Trust

Representation 3

The National Trust notes that Appendix D does not reflect its role as tourism operator; its work regarding build heritage and conservation; and also in regard to the Arnsdale Silverdale AONB.

Representation 4

The National Trust considers that it is incorrect for the Submission SCI to note in paragraph 4.4 that “copies of (planning) applications and Environment Statements will not be provided as this would infringe copyright.” The Trust requests that this information is made available to improve the availability of this documentation - noting changes to Copyright legislation and several benefits from doing so.

The Trust adds that it would be helpful if planning application documentation, including plans, could be viewed/ downloaded and printed from the website.

Dr George Steele

Representation 5

Dr Steele proposes adding larger commercial housing developers to the list of consultees listed in Appendix C, noting Persimmon Homes and Russell Armer in particular.

North West Regional Development Agency (NWDA)

Representation 6

The NWDA recommend, for clarity and accuracy, that the relevant part of: -

- paragraph 2.9 be amended to read “North West Regional Tourism Strategy and Lake District Economic Futures Study and Policy Statement (NWDA)”.
- paragraph 2.9 be also amended to read “North West Regional Economic Strategy”.

Cumbria Wildlife Trust (CWT)

Representation 7

The CWT request that:

- Paragraph 4.7 be added to by listing as a bullet point “English Nature – where statutorily protected species or areas are affected”.

- The Council should provide, and cite in paragraph 4.7, a searchable archive of weekly lists of planning applications (at present only the current weekly list is available on the website).

Government Office North West (GONW) (Secretary of State)

Representation 16

GONW propose that a description be added to paragraph 3.10, of some of the problems faced by hard-to-reach groups to demonstrate understanding and awareness of the issues involved.

Representation 17

GONW propose adding a reference in the final sentence of paragraph 1.10 to refer to preceding paragraph 1.2 and the table therein which sets out the steps for SCI preparation.

Representation 18

GONW suggest that section 4 (Development Control) could perhaps be a little more explicit in how the results of consultation will be reported and inform planning decisions.

Representation 19

GONW consider that their earlier comments (at Reg. 26 stages) regarding assessing the resource implications of more pro-active methods have not been addressed.

APPENDIX D

SOUTH LAKELAND STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT – SUBMISSION DRAFT (NOVEMBER 2005)

Regulation 31: Record of Representations

Rep. No.	Name of Person or Organisation making representation	Supporting; Objecting; or Objecting to an Omission (noting section referred to, & where new text/changes should go in the document)	Reason for Objection ('tests of soundness')	Changes Proposed by Objector (and any Comments Relating to Support)	Written Representation or Attendance at Inquiry? (with reason if the latter)
1	The Theatres Trust – Peter Longman, 22 Charing Cross Road, London WC2H 0QL	Supporting – Paragraph 3.8		<u>Supporting Comments:</u> RE support for section 3.8 "we are pleased to note that item 3.8 explains that you will maintain and update a consultee database and we would be grateful if you could confirm that we are included in this database".	Written
2	Yealand Conyers Parish Council – Mrs Dawn Hancock, 21 Yealand Road, Yealand Conyers, Lancashire LA5 9SG	Supporting		<u>Text of letter:</u> "The Parish Council would like to be kept informed of the Recommendations. However we are not in Cumbria, so do not feel that it is appropriate for us to comment on these matters"	Written
3	The National Trust – Alan Hubbard, Stamford Estate Office, 18 Market Street, Altrincham, Cheshire WA14 1PH	Objecting – Appendix D	it does not identify in general terms which local community groups and other bodies will be consulted	Contrary to Appendix A section 2.3 it is not considered that 'all additional consultees' have been added as stated. Specifically the interests of the National Trust as previously identified (letter of 10-9-04) in respect of a) its role as a tourism operator; b) its unparalleled work in built heritage and conservation (including in respect of properties within the District); and c) in the Arnside and Silverdale AONB; have not been included in the Submission SCI. Additional entries in Appendix D should be made accordingly and appropriate consultation undertaken.	Written

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4	<p>The National Trust – Alan Hubbard, Stamford Estate Office, 18 Market Street, Altrincham, Cheshire WA14 1PH</p>	<p>Objecting – Paragraph 4.4</p>	<p>it does not identify how the community and other bodies can be involved in a timely and accessible manner</p> <p>it does not clearly describe the policy for consultation on planning applications</p>	<p>The National Trust believes that the statement that 'copies of applications and EAs will not be provided as this would infringe copyright' is incorrect and that indeed amendments to Copyright legislation several years ago enabled LPAs to copy application documentation, including plans, for the purposes of consultation upon planning applications. Many Local Planning Authorities are known to make planning application documents, including plans, and ESs available for this purpose. This is beneficial in a) enabling informed responses to be made and b) for relevant specialist staff, especially when based at different offices, to prepare a joint response on behalf of their organisation. It is requested that the availability of documentation is improved by making copies of information available in this way.</p> <p>Furthermore an increasing number of Local Planning Authorities are enabling all planning application documentation, again including plans, to be viewed, downloaded and printed from their web sites. This is especially helpful to organisations such as the National Trust for the reasons set out above and it is requested that through its SCI the Council commits to such an approach within the next 2 years.</p>	<p>Written</p>
5	<p>Dr George Steele – 29 Ashleigh Court, Station Road, Arnsdale, Lancashire LA5 0JH</p>	<p>Objecting to an Omission - Additions to Appendix C page 26</p>	<p>It does not identify in general terms which local community groups and other bodies will be consulted</p>	<p>Invite comments from all commercial housing developers with local operations. In my view well-resourced commercial housing developers such as Persimmon Homes (Ulverston) and Russell Armer (Holme and other sites) have dominated the planning housing allocation in South Lakeland District. They should be invited to take part in the consultation process. There is a need for transparency.</p>	<p>Attendance – It is likely that on the time of examination the full, serious impact of the Joint Structure Plan on rural housing for locals will need examination in public.</p>

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6	North West Regional Development Agency (NWDA) - Ian Wray, Renaissance House, PO Box 37, Centre Park, Warrington WA1 1XB	Objecting to an Omission – Paragraph 2.9	No Response	The Agency welcomes the identification of the North West Regional Tourism Strategy and Lake District Economic Futures within section 2.9 of the Submission Draft SCI, which addresses our previous representations (dated 4 August 2005). We would however suggest that for clarity the text should be updated to 'North West Regional Tourism Strategy and Lake District Economic Futures Study and Policy Statement (NWDA)'. We consider that this is an important distinction as the Lake District Economic Futures Study provides an evidence base and represents the independent recommendations of the consultants, whilst the Policy Statement is the Agency's formal response to the consultants' recommendations. As a point of detail we would also recommend that 'North West Regional Economic Development Strategy' within section 2.9 is amended to 'North West Regional Economic Strategy' for accuracy.	Written
7	Cumbria Wildlife Trust – Dr Kate Willshaw, Cumbria Wildlife Trust, Plumgarths, Crook Road, Kendal LA8 8LX	Objecting to an Omission - Paragraph 4.7	It does not identify in general terms which local community groups and other bodies will be consulted	Regarding pre-application registration, after "Highways Agency - where a development may affect the Trunk Road Network", a bullet point should be added to state "English Nature - where statutorily protected species or areas are affected" English Nature (and the new body Natural England as for 2007) should be consulted in the pre-application stages as they are the statutory body for Nature Conservation, and statutorily protected sites and species are a material consideration in the planning process. Ironing out issues regarding nature conservation in the pre-application stage will speed up the application process in the long run.	Written

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8	Cumbria Wildlife Trust – Dr Kate Willshaw, Cumbria Wildlife Trust, Plumgarths, Crook Road, Kendal LA8 8LX	Objecting to an Omission - Paragraph 4.7	It does not demonstrate that resources are available to manage community involvement effectively	The Council's weekly list is publicised on the website, along with a searchable archive of weekly lists. There should be a searchable archive of weekly lists available as at the moment it is only possible to view the current weekly list. This is particularly important as applications on previous weekly lists may still be within the 21 days period for comment. Allerdale Borough Council offers a search facility on its website and it is possible to search for applications by application number, month submitted or by Parish.	Written
9		Supporting – Paragraph 3.3		<u>Supporting Comment:</u> Paragraph: Supplementary Planning Documents to include conservation	Written
10		Supporting – Paragraph 2.9 Links to Other Strategies and Evidence Sources		<u>Supporting Comment:</u> Linking to Cumbria Biodiversity Action Plan	Written

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11	Government Office North West (GONW) – Susan Frampton, Cunard Building, Pier Head, Liverpool L3 1QB	Comment Only		<p><u>General comments in covering letter:</u> Overall, we consider the amended Statement of Community Involvement to have met most of our previous concerns. However, we do have a number of comments to make. These relate to the tests of soundness and are appended to this letter.</p> <p>In addition to these comments, there are three other points that we feel you may wish to give some thought to: The font size of the paper format is not ideal for a public document and you could consider increasing the font size of the (paper format) of the adopted SCI. If you have not already done so, you may find it helpful to contact your Equalities Team, as they should be able to advise you on this matter.</p> <p>Evidence requirements - as set out in PINS assessment guide - this includes: *LPA's own assessment of how the SCI meets the PPS12 soundness tests; and *Corporate consultation or communications policy - there is no mention in the SCI whether either the South Lakeland District Council or the LSP does or does not have such a policy. Similarly is there a local Compact in place with reference to the community and voluntary sector?</p> <p>GONW confirmed on 15 February 2006 that the above comments are not objecting or supporting representations.</p>	Written
12		Supporting – Paragraph 3.8: Whom Will We Consult?		<p><u>Supporting Comment:</u> The third bullet of paragraph 3.8 indicates that a consultee database has now been established.</p>	Written

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13	Government Office North West (GONW) – Susan Frampton, Cunard Building, Pier Head, Liverpool L3 1QB	Objecting - (withdrawn)	Its strategy for community involvement does not link with other community involvement initiatives (e.g. the community strategy)	Earlier GONW comments on this issue have not been addressed. [Following the Council's request for clarification, GONW confirmed on 15 February 2006 that their response at Reg 26 stage had been supportive and that therefore they do not have an objection with regard to this test of soundness.]	Written
14		Comment Only		<u>Comments on test vii</u> – ('showing how results of consultation feed into preparation of Development Plan Documents and Supplementary Planning Documents'). Points raised by GONW are covered in the new section 3.7a. However, the SCI does not really address the key questions, asked in this test of soundness, in an informative manner that the community would find useful". Additional comment on 15 February 2006: Our comments should not be taken as an objection to this test of soundness. By way of explanation, it was felt that you could perhaps include an explanation as to why consultation responses may not be reflected in documents - this could refer back to paragraph 1.7 which talks about conformity.	Written
15		Supporting - Para 3.7a et al		<u>Supporting Comments on test iv</u> - ('relating to the identification of how the community can be involved in a timely and accessible way') The SCI indicates that community involvement and consultation will be carried out early enough to allow for engagement at each of the stages of DPD preparation - including issues and options. Para 3.7a emphasises the importance of early engagement in the process - front-loading.	

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16	Government Office North West (GONW) – Susan Frampton, Cunard Building, Pier Head, Liverpool L3 1QB	Objecting to an Omission – Paragraph 3.10	The methods of consultation to be employed are not suitable for the intended audience or for the different stages in the preparation of local development documents	Overall the key questions asked by the test of soundness have been addressed by the SCI. With regard to GONW's earlier comment regarding 'hard to reach' groups, 3.10 now states that methods of engagement will be selected that are most suited to the needs of hard to reach groups. In the covering letter of 22 December, GONW goes on to note: "Whilst appreciating your approach of seeking advice from other bodies and then identifying the most appropriate methods of engagement, a description of some of the problems these group face - poor mobility, time of meetings etc would help to demonstrate your understanding and awareness of the issues involved."	Written
17		Objecting to an Omission – Paragraph 1.10 Monitoring and Review	It does not set out a mechanism for reviewing the SCI	Would have been useful in the final sentence of section 1.10 to refer to 1.2 and table/diagram showing the steps for SCI preparation. (Note minor correction to this table/diagram - 'where we are now' should be under November 2005).	Written
18		Objecting to an Omission –Section 4: Development Control (General Comments on Section 4)	It does not clearly describe the policy for consultation on planning applications	Section 4 could perhaps be a little more explicit in describing how the results of consultation will be reported and inform planning decisions.	Written
19		Objecting – Paragraph 1.9 Resources	it does not demonstrate that resources are available to manage community involvement effectively	The point made earlier by GONW regarding assessing the resource implications of more pro-active methods has not been addressed.	Written

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20	Yorkshire Forward – Lucy Mitchell, Victoria House, 2 Victoria Place, Leeds LS11 5AE	Comment Only	No Response	<p><u>Comments in Letter:</u> We welcome the opportunity to comment on local planning policy formulation within the Yorkshire and Humber region and in neighbouring areas, as part of our role as a statutory consultee. However, we do not have any comments to make on the submission Statement of Community Involvement.</p>	

Summary

20 Representations and Comments:

- 16 formal representations
 - 6 supporting
 - 3 objecting
 - 7 objecting to an omission
- 1 objection withdrawn
- 3 other comments