

**IMPORTANT-THIS COMMUNICATION AFFECTS YOUR PROPERTY**

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED BY THE PLANNING AND  
COMPENSATION ACT 1991)**

**ENFORCEMENT NOTICE- MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE**

**1. ENFORCEMENT NOTICE**

**THIS NOTICE** is issued by South Lakeland District Council ("the Council") because it appears to them that there has been a breach of planning control, within the meaning of paragraph (a) of Section 171A(1) of the above Act, at the Land described below. The Council considers that it is expedient to issue this notice, having regard to the provisions of the development plan and to other material planning considerations. The Annex at the end of the notice and the enclosures to which it refers contain important additional information.

**2. THE LAND TO WHICH THE NOTICE RELATES:**

Land at Green Head Farm, Grayrigg, LA8 9BP, hereafter referred to as "the Land" shown edged red for identification purposes only on the Plan attached to this Notice.

**3. THE MATTERS WHICH APPEAR TO CONSTITUTE THE BREACH OF PLANNING CONTROL:**

3.1 Without planning permission:

- I. Unauthorised material change of use of the Land from agricultural (Sui Generis) to a commercial business involving the storage and distribution of pipes and wood (B8) within the area outlined in red on the attached Plan, which has occurred within the last ten years;

**4. REASONS FOR ISSUING THIS NOTICE:**

The development is contrary to the provisions of Policies CS1 .1, CS1 .2, CS7.4, CS8.2 and CS8.10 of the South Lakeland Core Strategy; Policies DM1 and DM2 of the Local Plan Development Management Policies and section 2, 4 and 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

- South Lakeland Local Development Framework – Core Strategy (2010)
  - CS1.1 – Sustainable Development Principles
  - CS1.2 – The Development Strategy continued
  - CS7.4 – Rural Economy
  - CS8.2 – Protection and enhancement of landscape and settlement character
  - CS8.10 - Design

- Local Plan Development Management Policies (March 2019)
  - Policy DM1 – General Requirements for all development
  - Policy DM2 – Achieving Sustainable High Quality Design
  
- National Planning Policy Framework
  - Section 2 – Achieving sustainable development
  - Section 4 – Decision Making
  - Section 15 – Conserving and enhancing the natural environment

It appears to the Council that the unauthorised change of use, which has occurred within the last 10 years, has had the following impact.

- The unauthorised development, is located within the open countryside, where new development will be permitted in the open countryside where it has an essential requirement for a rural location. This is not the case here where there is a strong presumption against any development.
- The development has resulted in an incongruous form of development which fails to respect the site locational context and is therefore detrimental to the character of the area.

The Council consider that planning permission should not be given, because planning conditions could not overcome these objections to the development.

## **5. WHAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO DO:**

The Council requires the specified steps listed below to be taken to remove the effect of the development on the Land which were carried out without planning permission.

(A) Permanently cease all commercial activity on the land, within the red line boundary on the attached plan.

(B) Permanently remove from the Land all pipes, fencing and equipment used in connection with the commercial enterprise.

(C) Comply with (A) and (B) within 13 (thirteen) weeks from the date this Notice takes effect.

## **6. TIME FOR COMPLIANCE**

The periods for compliance with the steps set out in paragraph 5 are:

13 weeks from the date this Notice takes effect.

7. **WHEN THIS NOTICE TAKES EFFECT:**

This Notice takes effect on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021 unless an appeal is made against it beforehand.

Dated: 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Signed:

Nick Howard

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Interim Principal Specialist - Place

On behalf of:- South Lakeland District Council

South Lakeland House

Lowther Street

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Cumbria

LA9 4UQ

Nominated officer: Ronan Kelly (Enforcement Officer)

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## **ANNEX**

SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT COUNCIL has issued an enforcement notice relating to the Land at Green Head Farm, Grayrigg, LA8 9BP shown edged red on the attached Plan and you are served with a copy of that Notice as you have an interest in the Land. Copies of the Notice have also been served on the parties listed at the end of this Annex.

### **YOUR RIGHT OF APPEAL**

You can appeal against this Enforcement Notice, but any appeal must be received by the Planning Inspectorate (or be posted or electronically communicated at such time that, in the ordinary course of post or transmission, it would be received by the Planning Inspectorate) before the date specified in paragraph 7 of the Notice.

The enclosed information sheet published by the Planning Inspectorate gives details of how to make an appeal.

### **GROUNDINGS OF APPEAL**

The grounds of appeal are set out in section 174 of the TCPA 1990. You may appeal on one or more of the following grounds that:

- In respect of any breach of planning control which may be constituted by the matters stated in the notice, planning permission ought to be granted or, as the case may be, the condition or limitation concerned ought to be discharged (ground a).
- Those matters have not occurred (ground b).
- Those matters (if they have occurred) do not constitute a breach of planning control (ground c).
- At the date when the notice was issued, no enforcement action could be taken in respect of any breach of planning control which may be constituted by those matters (ground d).
- Copies of the enforcement notice were not served as required by section 172 of the TCPA 1990 (ground e).
- The steps required by the notice to be taken, or the activities required by the notice to cease, exceed what is necessary to remedy any breach of planning control which may be constituted by those matters or, as the case may be, to remedy any injury to amenity which has been caused by such breach (ground f).
- Any period specified in the notice in accordance with section 173(9) of the TCPA 1990 falls short of what should reasonably be allowed (ground g).

Not all of these grounds may be relevant to you.

### **PLANNING APPLICATION FEE**

If you wish to appeal on ground a of section 174(2) of the TCPA 1990 this is the equivalent of applying for planning permission for the development alleged in the notice and you will have to pay a fee of £462. You should pay the fee to SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT COUNCIL. If the fee is not paid then that ground of appeal will not be valid.

## **STATEMENT ON GROUNDS OF APPEAL**

If you decide to appeal, you should state in writing the ground(s) on which you are appealing against the Enforcement Notice and you should state briefly the facts on which you intend to rely in support of each of those grounds. If you do not do this when you make your appeal the Secretary of State will send you a notice requiring you to do so within 14 days.

## **STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

A copy of sections 171A, 171B and 172 to 177 of the TCPA 1990 is attached for your information.

## **WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU DO NOT APPEAL**

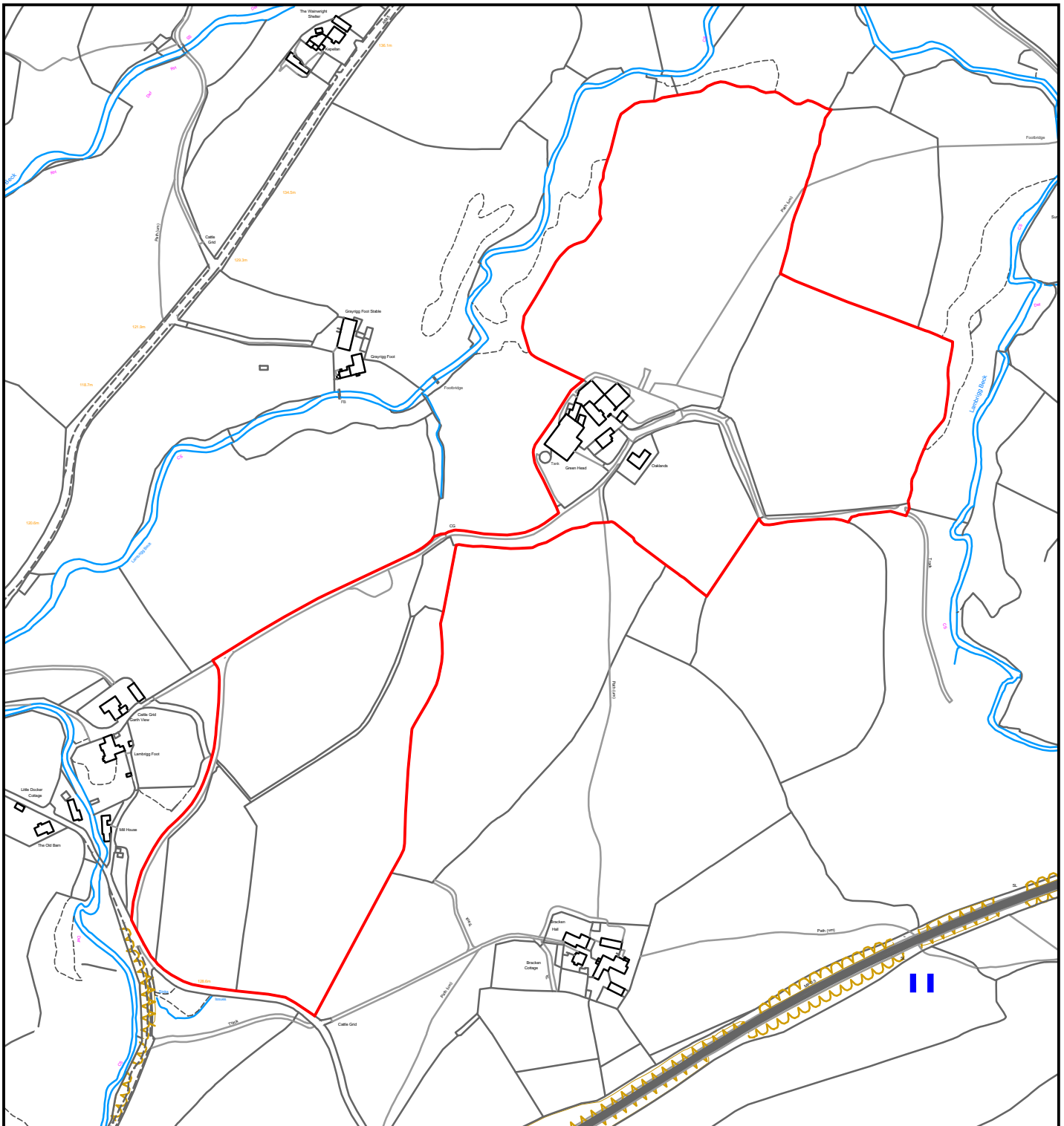
If you do not appeal against this enforcement notice, it will take effect on the date specified in paragraph 7 of the Notice and you must then ensure that the required steps for complying with it, for which you may be held responsible, are taken within the period specified in paragraph 6 of the Notice. Failure to comply with an enforcement notice which has taken effect can result in prosecution and/or remedial action by the Council.

## **RECIPIENTS OF THE ENFORCEMENT NOTICE:**

The names and addresses of all persons who were served with the Notice:

Mr John Kevin Allonby  
Lakeland Pipes,  
Green Head Farm,  
Grayrigg,  
Kendal,  
LA8 9BP

Ms Mandy Jane Allonby  
Lakeland Pipes,  
Green Head Farm,  
Grayrigg,  
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## Plan 1

**Green Head Farm  
Grayrigg  
LA8 9BP**

Scale: 1:5000