Dear Sir/Madam

Allerdale Local Plan (Part 1) Consultation on Schedule of Main Modifications following Examination Feb 2014

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 14 February 2014 which was received by Natural England on the same date.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

We have comments to make on the following modifications:

**MM84 Policy S34, page 132**

We are concerned about the proposed deletion of ‘and actively seek to minimise environmental harm caused by the development.’ and are of the opinion that the reason given for the modification does not provide sufficient clarity on the matter.

**MM85 Policy S34, page 132-133, Paragraph 310-311**

We are concerned about the proposed deletion of ‘will not cause significant harm or where any harm can be mitigated and compensated for’ and are of the opinion that the reason given for the modification does not provide sufficient clarity on the matter.

We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter only please contact Janet Baguley using the details below. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.
Yours faithfully

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