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To: Development Plans
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Dear SLDC,

Thank you for the opportunity to give you an update on my views on the updated development plan.

I do think the plans for Grange-Over-Sands, Alithwaite and Cartmel Village appear sensible and appear to take into account road access and drainage factors.

However, I found the plan did not take adequate consideration the continued expansion of the holiday village at Flookborough which has in my view had a negative impact on local resources and on road access which can be badly affected by the transport of large and abnormal loads to the site (mobile homes).

I have previously cast doubt on the need for continued expansion of this area to meet a national need for affordable homes, which really is driven by demand associated with the population growth of Greater London. Some of the data used to substantiate the claim did appear to over estimate affordability issues due to bias on local prices rather than the use of data throughout the region (as obviously not everyone in London for example needs to live in Chelsea).

I also have some doubt on the sensibility of allocation of land for what is termed mixed use as I doubt whether there is any local demand for business premises. It would be helpful if the argument for mixed development use land was supported by evidence such as local small business survey data (which I could not find within the information available).

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