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**Cc:** Whitehead, David I  
**Subject:** PreApp IE/2013/0021: Proposed residential development at Holme Lane, Allithwaite Road, Allithwaite

Fiona

As discussed earlier:

My primary concern is safety at the junction of the access road and the county highway, which, in many cases, relies on the appropriate visibility splays. I am now using the phrase 'appropriate' visibility as our design guide is based on the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges, but I am aware that Manual for Streets is a lot less demanding if the speed of traffic is known (and below 37mph) and the highway appears to fit the definition of 'street'.

As an example, Design Guide 30mph speed limit needs 90m, known 30mph needs 70m, Manual for Streets known 30mph (wet weather) is 40m for a flat road.

Any 'road' leading to 5 or more houses needs to be designed and constructed to adoptable standards.

It might be better to have 2 'courts' of 4 houses than one access for 8, or even consider frontage development if visibility is not a problem.

I cannot remember the speed limits around this curve but I suspect that vehicle speeds are in the order of 40mph, if not higher. The approach is fairly open and it is likely to need too much work for it to look 'built-up' enough to have a calming effect on vehicle speeds.

For peripheral developments (like this) I might ask to have the village entry and/or speed limit signs moved out to beyond the development AND ask to have the houses stand out sufficiently to warn drivers on the approach.

Is this any help?

Kevin

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Clark, Fiona [mailto:F.Clark@southlakeland.gov.uk]  
**Sent:** 25 February 2013 08:55  
**To:** Development Control - Planning Dept address; McGeough, Kevin C  
**Subject:** Proposed residential development at Holme Lane, Allithwaite Road, Allithwaite

Dear Mr McGough

OUR REF: IE/2013/0021  
LOCATION: LAND AT HOLME LANE/ALLITHWAITE ROAD, ALLITHWAITE  
PROPOSAL: 6 DWELLINGS

I refer to the above proposals and attached a copy of a location plan.  
No further details are available at this stage.

Please would you advise whether the principle is likely to result in objections from the Highway Authority? I anticipate that the proposed units will be served from a single access point off Holme Lane/Allithwaite Road and provide parking and turning within the site.

The main issue will surround the access point, visibility splays and any necessary alterations to the highway verges. Please would you advise whether the applicant may rely on the visibility splays within the Cumbria Design Guide and what these will be or whether a speed survey will be necessary to determine the access requirements.

I look forward to your response but if you wish to discuss this further please contact me.

Regards