



Consultation Response Form

How to make comments

You need fill out only one copy of your contact details. However, **please fill in a separate response form for each site or issue that you wish to comment on.** Please indicate in the box provided on the contact details form the total number of pages enclosed.

To assist us in analysing the responses we encourage you to make your comments electronically at <http://www.southlakeland.gov.uk/ldf/consultation/>

Or fill in an electronic copy of this form (available from www.southlakeland.gov.uk/landallocations) and email it to developmentplans@southlakeland.gov.uk.

You can also fill in a paper copy of the attached form and post or fax it to:

Development Strategy Manager
South Lakeland District Council
South Lakeland House
Lowther Street
Kendal
LA9 4DL

Fax: 01539 717355

You may also hand in your form to the council offices at:

- South Lakeland House, Lowther Street, Kendal; or
- Ulverston Local Link (Town Hall).

If you require additional copies of the form please call 01539 717490 or email developmentplans@southlakeland.gov.uk.

Internet access is available at your local library and at South Lakeland House, Kendal.

Submitting your comments

Please ensure that your comments reach the Council Offices at South Lakeland House, Kendal no later than Friday 15th April.

Your contact details and privacy

Anonymous comments will not be accepted. Please note that comments cannot be treated as confidential and will be made available for public inspection. Your submitted comments will be used in the preparation of the LDF.

Contact details submitted electronically will not be available to view on the system. Signatures and private addresses will not be made public.

Any data that you supply will be held in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

Viewing the relevant documents

The Land Allocations document, maps and other supporting documents can be downloaded from and viewed at council offices and local libraries and on the Council website

Any questions

If you need help completing the comments sheet, or require further information regarding the Land Allocations Document, or are unsure about any aspect of the consultation, our Development Plans Team will be pleased to advise. Contact details are:

Tel: **01539 717490**

Email: **developmentplans@southlakeland.gov.uk**

If you would like a copy of this document in another format such as Large print, Braille, Audio or in a different language, please **0845 050 4434** or email **customerservices@southlakeland.gov.uk**





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Your contact details

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If you are completing a paper copy of this form please use CAPITALS and BLACK INK.

Your details		Your Agent's details (if you have one)	
Organisation:		Organisation:	
Name: John Bunting		Name:	
Address:		Address:	
Postcode:		Postcode:	
Tel:		Tel:	
*Email:		*Email:	

*We aim to minimise the amount of paper printed and sent out. Therefore, where an email address is supplied, future contact will be made electronically.

This response contains pages including this one.

Please tick the box if you would like us to notify you when the Land Allocations Development Plan Document is submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination and when it is adopted by the Council.

If you have any questions, or no longer wish to be consulted on the South Lakeland Local Development Framework, please call the Development Plans Team on tel: 01539 717490.

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Comments about suggested site allocations (and other map designations)

Please use this form to comment on emerging options and other sites as they appear on the settlement maps. **Please complete one of these sheets for every response you make.**

Which site or allocation do you wish to comment on?			
Settlement (e.g. Natland)	Map Number (e.g. 11)	Site reference number (e.g. R62)	Other designation – If you want to comment on something that doesn't have a site reference (e.g. development boundary, town centre boundary, green gap) please describe it here
Swarthmoor	41	R684SW	
Do you support, oppose or support in part the suggested allocation or designation? (delete as appropriate)			
I do not support the suggested site allocation/designation for the following use(s) Housing/employment/retail/community uses/open space/ other (specify).....			
Please explain your reasons (continue on a separate sheet/expand box if necessary)			
<p>This development would have a significant detrimental effect upon the area with increased foot and vehicular traffic, increased noise and light pollution, loss of greenfield sites and open aspect to rear of existing properties with an attendant potential loss of value and sale of those properties.</p> <p>In addition the local infrastructure is not robust enough to sustain an increased population. There are no shops, no post office, only limited public transport links and only one small, village school.</p> <p>Other potential sites in the area appear to offer less by way of disruption to the local populace yet have all the apparent benefits offered by this site. I refer you to R685 SW, RN105 and RN106.</p> <p>The access onto the A590 is already severely congested at peak times, making it difficult for traffic to travel from minor roads onto the major road. Any increase in residential traffic, however small, will only serve to exasperate this situation. Additionally, traffic waiting to turn from the major road onto a minor road cause a concertina effect on the heavy flow of traffic to and from Barrow, greatly increasing travel times.</p> <p>The minor roads are only intended to take limited traffic, and there is very limited parking available for residents as it is. Access for new residents, plus any service and delivery vehicles for the new properties, would necessitate removing some of the already limited parking space and residents would be left with nowhere to park.</p> <p>Pedestrians also have to wait some considerable time when trying to cross the road. At present the only play park, public house or post office site is on the opposite side of the road which will only serve to increase the number of people needing to cross the road.</p>			

Any attempts at road improvements to address these problems would not only be costly and would impact on the houses adjacent to the A590 both during their construction and after. The placing of a roundabout or traffic lights at any junction to the A590 would cause standing traffic, including considerable numbers of HGV's, to build up outside homes with all the allied problems of pollution, noise and privacy issues.

At present there are only open fields to the rear of the homes on Ulverston road and some of those on Kingsley avenue. The appeal of this should not be overlooked and was a significant factor in many people's decision to buy their home. The loss of this open aspect would not only have an adverse effect upon the quality of life through a loss of view, increased noise and light pollution and increased traffic, it would also potentially reduce the ability to sell and therefore the value of those same homes.

The local utilities would also need to be assessed before any new build properties could be tied into existing sewers or mains water supply. There are already reported problems with both, which appear to be struggling to cope with the present demand. Any improvements made would have to include existing houses to prevent a disparity in the level of service between new and existing properties.

There is a real concern that this development represents only "the thin end of the wedge" and once amenities are in place the other green field sites around the village would become attractive propositions for further development, thus eroding the local community further still until the village of Swarthmoor is no more than an estate in Ulverston.

The alternative sites suggested would offer similar potential for development without the attendant problems and are presumable equally viable. Development of this proposed site would cause real anguish for many people, and significantly damage the quality of life for most of the residents nearby.

How to suggest sites which do not appear on the maps

If you want to suggest a site that does not appear on the maps **please provide a map** with the site outlined in red. Please state the uses which you propose allocating the site for and explain your reasoning. Also, please include the name of the landowner if known.



Comments about community facilities in your area

New development can provide benefits to communities through enabling the delivery of improved or new community facilities (for example, play areas, allotments, green space, car parks, traffic management, pedestrian and cycle links, health and education facilities and community centres etc).

Do you think that your area needs new or improved community facilities?

If so, what sort of facilities and where?

Please explain the types of improved and/or new community facilities you feel your community may need in the next 15 years (continue on a separate sheet/expand box if necessary).

Comments about the documents and approach

Please respond here if you have any comments to make about the documents and approach. Please indicate the name of the document, page number, paragraph number or policy reference (where applicable) by ticking the appropriate box.

Please complete one of these sheets for each specific comment you want to make on each document.

Which document do you wish to comment on? (tick one)

Land Allocations Document* <input type="checkbox"/>	Sustainability Appraisal <input type="checkbox"/>	Scoping Report <input type="checkbox"/>	Retail Topic Paper <input type="checkbox"/>	Settlement Fact File (which?) <input type="text"/>	Other (please specify)** <input type="text"/>
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What part of this document do you wish to comment on?

Page:		Paragraph no:		Policy: (where applicable)	
Do you support or oppose this part of the document?					
I support /do not support/support in part this part of the document.					
Please explain your reasons (continue on a separate sheet/expand box if necessary)					

* Note the Land Allocations Document is the main document that includes the emerging site options and maps. It also includes proposals for open space and employment land designation, town centre and retail boundaries, green gaps and development boundaries.

** Other documents include the Interim Consultation Statement, Appropriate Assessment Screening Report and the South Lakeland Gypsies, Travellers and Show People Accommodation Study (Final Draft).

Thank you for your views and suggestions. Electronic copies of the form can be downloaded from www.southlakeland.gov.uk/landallocations