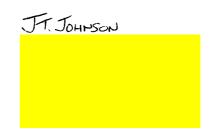
1 September 2011

Development Strategy Manager SLDC Lowther Street KENDAL LA9 4DL

Dear Sir,



## LAND ALLOCATIONS - PROPOSALS R121M

Further to my previous letters of objection to your proposal to include the above site as one of your preferred options for Kendal, I understand modification in field R141 now referred to as RN302 is proposed by the developer which would allow even more dwellings. Obviously I completely object to such proposed modification for the same reasons as my earlier letters ie .water run-off/ heightened flood risk, harm to landscape/visual impact, wildlife/bio-diversity concerns.

Because I feel you continue to appear somewhat dismissive of the real concerns expressed by myself and neighbours as to the potential flood risks posed by including the above sites as options for development, I have written to Cumbria County Council (copy letters enclosed) regarding this matter and included a copy leaflet recently received from The Stock Beck Action Group. My understanding is that Cumbria County Council is taking a bigger role in flood risk management and taking responsibility for stream flooding and surface and ground water issues. Jill Stannard (Chief Executive) has replied positively that she has asked that this matter be looked into and a full reply will be sent to me as soon as she can.

I feel sure alternative development sites remain available to you for consideration which do not pose the significant potentially harmful issues associated with the above site and would urge you to reconsider your view and remove R121M from your local development plan options.

Yours, sincerely

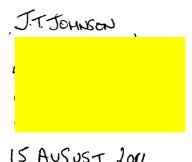
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Chief Executive
Cumbria County Council
Headquarters
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CA3 8NA



Dear Sir

## **FLOOD RISK**

I write to express my relief to read in this weeks issue of the Westmorland Gazette that Cumbria County Council is taking a bigger role in flood risk management and taking responsibility for stream flooding, and surface and ground water. This welcome news is in stark contrast to South Lakeland District Council who appear somewhat dismissive of the real concerns expressed by myself and neighbours as to the potential flood risks posed by their ongoing Land Allocations Consultation in including Site R121M as an emerging option for development. Flooding concerns in respect of the site were also expressed by the Environment Agency, United Utilities and indeed South Lakeland District Councils own Environment Protection Officer, and we are at a loss as to why the site can continue to be considered an option for development when such a high flood risk issue would exist with the potential for a recurrence of the flooding issues experienced in 1999 which necessitated the construction of the Stock Beck flood storage reservoir to provide reduced flood risk to some 170 houses.

The risk is still there and must not be enhanced by allowing development on the R121M site which over many years I have witnessed acts like an enormous sponge in coping with much of the annual rainfall most of the time, but which if altered through development would result in surface water run-off to progress downhill much quicker with the potential for serious flooding issues for lower lying properties as experienced in 1999.

Not surprisingly your Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment has highlighted Kendal to be the most atrisk town from surface and ground water flooding reaffirming the belief of Oak Tree Road / Sedbergh Road residents that high hillside sites like R121M with its known flooding issues should not be considered for potential housing development.

I trust our concerns are more likely to receive a more enlightened review by yourselves in respect of my above comments.

Yours sincerely

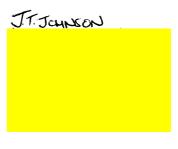
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Jill Stannard
Chief Executive
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22 AUGUST 2011

Dear Ms Stannard

## **FLOOD RISK**

Following my letter of 15 August 2011 regarding the above and your letter of acknowledgement dated 18 August 2011, I enclose a leaflet I have just received from The Stock Beck Action Group which highlights and supports the content of my own letter. For your information I would point out that Site R121M referred to in my letter comprises red outlined areasR121, R141 and R676 as shown on the leaflet map.

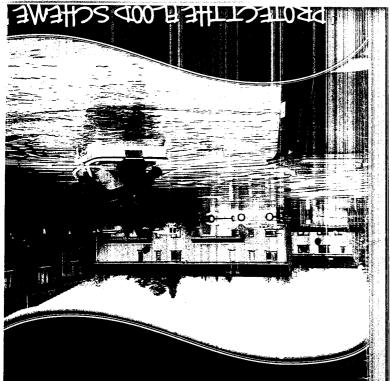
I thank you in anticipation that this additional information will receive your kind attention.

Yours sincerely

JT Johnson

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TO WE WANT MORE OF THIS?

The Stock Beck Action Group



SLDC Local Development Framework

For Castle Ward, Kendal

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We don't want to become involved in Planning issues but the additional developments shown on the Local Pevelopment Framework are going to have an effect on us all if the Stockbeck Scheme is overwhelmed.

Ne as a committee cannot take anymore worthwhile action as we have already written earlier and got fields. R124 taken out of local development plan but they have now been put back in by the owners. It is therefore that Y write to to voice your concerns or objections to the proposed additional developments affecting the Stockbeck scheme both in terms of the capacity of the flood lagoon and drainage into Stockbeck below the lagoon.

Since completion of the scheme additional drainage has been added i.e The Old Sedbergh Road, although this MAY have been taken into account in the design but still leads to flooding at the Rusland Park junction. Jenkin Crag has been built with its own attenuation tanks to protect the property but drains and joins Stockbeck at Sandylands Post Office.

Any new development above Oaktree Road (R121, R141 & R56) Whitbarrow Close (R124) or north Sandylands will all drain into Stockbeck at some point and need taking out of the plan.

The flood lagoon has already been overwhelmed on three occasions and this shows it does not have the capacity to take anymore drainage as it is already at the maximum capacity of what it was designed to do. This will put the Calder Drive area at risk.

We cannot lose the benefit of the Stockbeck Scheme that so many people have worked so hard to achieve by allowing planners to simply overwhelm the scheme and put us all at risk again.

The Stock Beck Action Group

Please send your comments/objections to SLDC's Development Plans Officer at SLDC before 7th SEPTEMBER.



be much appreciated as the Group's surplus funds were distributed to charity in 2008. Prootor 4 Whitharrow Close Kendal LA9 6RR

