TO THE DEVELOPMENT PLANS MANAGER,

SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT COUNCIL,

LOWTHER STREET,

KENDAL. LA9 4DL

Dear Sirs,

SOUTH LAKELAND
DISTRICT COUNCIL
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## **MILNTHORPE AND ACKENTHWAITE**

I am writing to object to the above plans, as the tenant of Ackenthwaite Farm, which is surrounded by the housing development proposal. I am the 4<sup>th</sup> generation to be farming here since 1915, and this proposal puts my livelihood in jeopardy.

Fields RN323 and R138 are surrounding the farmhouse and buildings, and RN305 and R98 are fields used to access my further land to the south of the farm across the road from Milnthorpe to Whasset. I cannot move cattle or sheep on these busy roads, and only by using these fields can I gain access to other land.

I have invested heavily in making the farm environmentally and financially viable, and will need more investment in future to comply with new regulations coming into force shortly.

If the development goes ahead, how can I move my cattle from the milking parlour to and from the fields twice a day? Where are the cattle being able to graze fields?

I employ 3 men, and also my parents help out at busy times, and I am the only sheep and dairy farmer left in the village, where originally there were 5 farms.

I consider these plans are completely ludicrous, to deprive me and my family of a livelihood, and would ask you to reconsider, and turn down the plans.

Yours faithfully,