

Councillor P. Thornton  
Cabinet Member, Housing and Development  
South Lakeland District Council  
South Lakeland House  
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Dear Councillor Thornton

**re Allocations of Land, site RN 34, Land off Grange Fell Rd, Grange-O – Sands**

Please find enclosed eighty five letters from residents in the area around RN34, expressing their concerns and wishes about the land named above.

I would urge you to give equal weight to the opinion of those who have completed the enclosed standard letter in some way. As an ex- teacher and literacy trainer, I can assure you that it is a very demanding task for many people to compose a letter on a serious topic, so much so that many give up before they start. I gave evidence to the Core Strategy Inspection about the unreasonable and excluding literacy demands of many of the consultation documents. Given that Dan Hudson said at the Open Day that the District Planning Department has no idea how many people in Grange are proficient internet users, or who the 'hard to reach' in Grange might be, the enclosed standard letter with room for insertions is one way of conveying the opinions of some of the 'hard to reach' sectors of the local community, including those who couldn't attend the Open Day. These letters represent a substantial response rate of well over 50% of the households who receive an Action Group Newsletter, over and above those who have responded independently online or in other ways.

We look forward to your response. Please pass these letters on to the Planning Department to enter on their database of consultation responses. Should you wish to talk to members of Grange Fell Action Group about the letters or the land in question, do get in touch, details below.

Yours sincerely

Joanna Greenway  
on behalf of Grange Fell Action Group