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Dear Cathy,

Education Response

4/25/2110/0F1 - Land at Parkside Road, Cleator Moor

This is a full application for 95 houses on 50524.64 square metres of grassed agricultural land.

The housing breakdown has been provided as: 8 x 2 bed, 34 x 3 bed, 53 x 4+ bed roomed houses. Using a dwelling-led model on the 95 units it is theoretically estimated to yield 60 children: 35 primary and 25 secondary pupils for the schools.

The primary catchment school for this development is Montreal CE Primary School (0.3776 miles measured from approximate centre of the site of the proposed houses) and Whitehaven Academy is the catchment secondary for this development (2.8805 miles). The next nearest schools are St Patrick's Catholic Primary School (0.7208 miles) and West Lakes Academy (3.2749 miles).

Office of National Statistics pupil yield data for Cumbria has been used to calculate yield according to the number and type of housing in a development.

The methodology for calculating available spaces in schools first considers developments with planning approval, before assessing which schools the developments will impact and what spaces remain for the most recently proposed development. Currently there are 8 developments affecting the primary schools used for this assessment and 12 affecting the secondary schools. The table below shows both the catchment schools and the developments that will affect them.

Primary School	PAN Capacity	Average Forecast NOR	Average Spaces	Development Site	Houses	Primary Yield	Secondary Yield
<u>Montreal CE Primary</u>	280	114	166	Cleator Mills (former Kangol works), Cleator Moor	79	23	
				Land at Ennerdale View / Birks Road, Cleator Moor, CA25	4	1	
				Land to north west of Mill Hill, Cleator Moor - Keekle Rise	8	2	
				Land adj Hopedene, Mill Hill, Cleator Moor	6	2	
				Land adjoining Mill Hill, Cleator Moor (Keekle Meadows)	32	9	
				Keekle Meadows, Cleator Moor	11	3	
				Keir Hardie Avenue/Dent Square, Cleator Moor, CA25 5EJ	20	6	
				North of Flish Meadows, off main street, Cleator	19	6	
<u>St Patrick's Catholic Primary</u>	329	259	70	None			
Total	609	373	236		179	52	

Secondary School	PAN Capacity	Average Forecast NOR	Average Spaces	Development Site	Houses	Primary Yield	Secondary Yield
<u>The Whitehaven Academy</u>	900	839	61	Land at High Road, RHODIA Whitehaven, EDGEHILL PARK DEVELOPMENT	279		47
				Land north of School Brow Moresby Parks, Whitehaven, CA28 8UX	100		17

				Water's Edge, Whitehaven, CA28 9QF	37		6
				Harras Moor (off the loop road), Whitehaven CA28 6SY	370		62
				Harras Dyke, Harras Moor, Whitehaven	90		15
				Ivy Mill, Main Street, Hensingham	26		4
				Land behind Castle Lea, Flatt Walks, Whitehaven	20		3
				Land at Low Road, Whitehaven	99		17
				Land At Fell View and Windermere Avenue, Whitehaven, CA28 9NA	40		7
				Land to the West of Valley View Road, Whitehaven	109		18
				Overend Bungalow, Cleator Moor Road, Whitehaven, CA28 8TY	37		6
				Adj. Border Yard, Coach Rd Whitehaven	41		7
Total	900	839	61		379		64

- **PAN Capacity** - the total capacity of the school based on the Published Admission Number (PAN) x the number of year groups in the school.
- **Average spaces** - shows the average number of available places in a school per year over the projection period, these are spaces in the school before any housing development is considered.
- **Development site** - the site of a proposed development.
- **Houses** – the number of houses in the proposed development.
- **Primary/Secondary yield** – the number of primary or secondary children that will be yielded from the development.

- **Spaces** - yield – the number of spaces left in all the schools within the 2/3 mile distance from the centre of the development.

PRIMARY

There are sufficient places available in Montreal, the catchment school to accommodate the primary pupil yield of 35 from this development. The next nearest school is St Patrick's Catholic School and there is also capacity there to accommodate some of the yield from this development.

An education contribution would not be required for primary education.

SECONDARY

There are insufficient places available in The Whitehaven Academy, the catchment school, to accommodate the secondary pupil yield of 25 from this development. The next nearest school is West Lakes Academy (but is in excess of the distance threshold of 3 miles).

There is already forecast to be a total 64 secondary school pupils yielded from cumulative housing developments in the Whitehaven Academy catchment area (not including the 25 yielded from this application).

An education contribution of £683,000 (25 x £27,320) would be required for secondary education or transport to the next nearest school outside of the catchment area.

N.B.: *Projections represent a snapshot in time and all figures can be subject to change as further information becomes available.*

It should be noted that there may be other potential developments that may affect these schools, but as they have not been approved at this stage, have not been included in the calculations.

Yours sincerely,

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