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Cumberland Council (Copeland area)

[By email: Development.Control3@cumberland.gov.uk]

3 September 2026

Dear Sarah Papaleo

Re: 4/26/2271/0F1

Residential development consisting of the erection of 61 Dwellings and associated external works; Barfs Road, Distington

Thank you for your notification of 2 September 2026 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

We have reviewed the site location plan provided and can confirm that the site falls within the Coal Authority's defined Development Low Risk Area. On this basis we have no specific comments to make.

However, in the interest of public safety, it is requested that the Coal Authority's Standing Advice note is drawn to the applicant's attention, where relevant.

Yours

The Coal Authority Planning Team