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For the attention of Planning Officer

Date: 9 November 2026
Your reference: 4/26/2314/0F1

Dear Planning Officer

CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATION

Appn:	**4/26/2314/0F1**
Site Address:	**55 HIGH ROAD, WHITEHAVEN**
Proposal:	**REAR SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION, NEW SIDE WINDOW, SOLAR PANELS AND NEW DETACHED GARAGE TO REAR GARDEN**

Thank you for your consultation on the above Planning Application.

The Local Highway Authority has no objection in principle to the majority of the proposed development. However, concerns remain regarding the proposed garage and in particular, the means of vehicular access to it.

The submitted plans do not clearly identify the location from which vehicular access is to be taken. Furthermore, no evidence has been provided to demonstrate that a lawful and suitable access exists and the plans do not indicate the presence of an existing dropped crossing serving the proposed garage.

In the absence of this information, the Local Highway Authority is unable to assess whether adequate visibility splays can be achieved or whether vehicles may be required to access the site from a position adversely affected by the proximity of the adjacent road junction and its radii.

As submitted, insufficient information has been provided to demonstrate that safe and suitable access arrangements can be achieved in accordance with the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework. The applicant should therefore provide amended plans identifying the point of access, details of any proposed dropped crossing, and appropriate visibility splays to enable a full highway assessment to be undertaken

Yours sincerely

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