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Date: 28th June 2023

Ms. J. Coltman
Clerk to the Council,
Ennerdale & Kinniside Parish Council,
54 Gosforth Road,
Seascale,
Cumbria,
CA20 1PJ

Dear Ms. Coltman,

APPLICATION FOR FENCING ON COMMON LAND – LONGMOOR COMMON (CL105), ENNERDALE, CUMBRIA

We are applying to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) for consent to construct works on Longmoor Common (CL105) under section 23 of the National Trust Act 1971. The Planning Inspectorate will determine the application on behalf of Defra.

We are required to give you notice of our proposals and are sending you a copy of the attached notice in order to comply with that requirement.

Defra's decision will be based on the merits of the proposal, and will balance all the interests in the common, taking account of all views expressed. Regard must be given to the criteria set out in section 39 of the Commons Act 2006. These are:

- (a) the interests of persons having rights in relation to, or occupying, the land (and in particular persons exercising rights of common over it);
- (b) the interests of the neighbourhood;
- (c) the public interest, which includes the public interest in:
 - nature conservation
 - the conservation of the landscape
 - the protection of public rights of access to any area of land, and
 - the protection of archaeological remains and features of historic interest;
- (d) any other matter considered relevant.

These criteria will be viewed in the light of the overriding objective of protecting, maintaining or improving the common, and of ensuring that the overall stock of common land is not diminished. This will enable the diversity, variety, and overall extent, of common land to be safeguarded.

Any representations about the proposal should be sent to the Planning Inspectorate by the closing date specified in the notice.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Bell', written in a cursive style.

Richard Bell BSc. (Hons) MRICS FAAV
Rural Surveyor

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LONGMOOR COMMON

The National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty has applied to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for consent under section 23(2) of the National Trust Act 1971 to carry out restricted works on Longmoor Common. The Planning Inspectorate will decide the application on behalf of the Secretary of State.

The proposed works are: the retention of 80m of fencing on LONGMOOR COMMON comprising metal posts with five strands of plain wire. The fence will remain 1.2m high and will have two access gates along its length, promoting public access. The fencing is to enclose the majority of the common to enable cattle grazing to continue to provide environmental benefits and halt scrub encroachment on the common.

The fencing will be located in a position approximately 700m west of Ennerdale Bridge Village (OS ref: NY 061156).

A copy of the application form and accompanying documents can be inspected at **The National Trust, North West Regional Office, The Hollens, Grasmere, Ambleside, Cumbria, LA22 9QZ** or **The Gather Café and Shop, The Ennerdale Centre, Ennerdale Bridge, Cumbria, CA23 3AR** during normal office hours until 28th July 2023. A copy of the application form and accompanying documents may be obtained by writing to FAO Richard Bell, The National Trust, North West Regional Office, The Hollens, Grasmere, Ambleside, Cumbria, LA22 9QZ. Any representations should be sent in writing ON or BEFORE that date to:

The Planning Inspectorate,
Commons Team,
3A Temple Quay House,
Temple Quay,
Bristol BS1 6PN

or

commonlandcasework@planninginspectorate.gov.uk.

Representations sent to The Planning Inspectorate cannot be treated as confidential. They will be copied to the applicant and possibly to other interested parties. To find out more about how the Planning Inspectorate uses and manages personal data, please go to the privacy notice.

Application of the proposed fencing: Mr. Richard Bell for and on behalf of The National Trust, North West Regional Office, The Hollens, Grasmere, Ambleside, Cumbria, LA22 9QZ

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