



Lake District
National Park

Development Control Committee: 6 May 2026
Draft Minutes Subject to Committee Approval

Agenda Item: 2

Development Control Committee

MINUTES of a meeting of the Development Control Committee held at the National Park Office, Wayfaring House, Murley Moss Business Park, Kendal at 10.00 am on 1 April 2026.

Present

Mr M Kidd (Chair)	Mr R Outhwaite
Ms J Boak	Mr A Pratt
Mr P Dixon	Mr D F Rathbone
Mr J Jackson	Mr C J Southward
Mrs J Lancaster	

Apologies

Mr Walter

32/26 Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr Walter.

33/26 Minutes

Decided: that the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 March 2026 be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

34/26 Chair's announcements

The Chair announced to the Committee and members of the public that the meeting was being livestreamed and that a digital recording of the meeting would be made.

A warm welcome was extended to two new Committee members – Mrs Jackie Lancaster and Ms Jenny Boak.

35/26 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of a registrable interest or disclosable pecuniary interest relating to any of the business of the Committee.

36/26 Questions

There were no questions relating to the business of the Committee.

37/26 Public participation

There were no questions, petitions or deputations of a general nature relating to the business of the Committee.

38/26 Site inspections

The Members were informed by the Officers that there were no proposals for site inspections.

39/26 Planning applications with public speaking

In accordance with the Authority's Policy for Public Attendance and Speaking at Committee Meetings, the public participated at this stage in the meeting. Details of those attending in respect of specific applications are set out in Annex 1 to these minutes.

40/26 Schedule of planning applications

The Committee considered planning applications and reached decisions as listed in the schedule.

7/2025/5707

Alma's Meadow, Smithy Lane, Bowness-on-Windermere

Six holiday accommodation pods for disadvantaged children and partial change of use of existing agricultural field.

Motion to refuse the application with the addition of two additional reasons for refusal, these being the lack of information regarding highways and drainage.

Proposed by Mr Pratt

Seconded by Mr Rathbone

Members were unanimously in favour of the motion

Decided: Refused

7/2025/5708

Levens Farm, Staveley in Cartmel, Ulverston

Construction of 3 buildings for agricultural storage and maintenance, plus surrounding compound fence, plus a trailer store for ancillary agricultural trailers, for land maintenance, with an earth bunding surround (Part Retrospective)

Motion to refuse the application

Proposed by Mr Jackson

Seconded by Mr Rathbone

Members in favour of motion: 6

Members against the motion: 1

Abstentions: 2

Decided: Refused

The meeting was adjourned for a 10-minute break at 11:37 and reconvened at 11:46.

7/2026/5011

Land at Rothay Holme Industrial Estate, Rothay Road, Ambleside

Variation of condition 2 (plans) on planning application 7/2023/5720 (Proposed erection of steel framed building) to increase the size of the building

Motion to approve the application with conditions

Proposed by Mr Dixon

Seconded by Mr Southward

Members were unanimously in favour of the motion

Decided: Approved with conditions

7/2026/5038

1 Dodds Howe, Crosthwaite, Kendal

Part demolition of existing building. Erection of two storey extension, including extending over part of existing dwelling

Motion to approve the application with conditions

Proposed by Mr Jackson

Seconded by Ms Boak

Members were unanimously in favour of the motion

Decided: Approved with conditions

41/26 Delegated planning applications

Decided: to accept the report of the Head of Development Management.

42/26 Delegated compliance matters

Decided: to accept the report of the Head of Development Management.

43/26 Appeals decided

Decided: to note that the following appeals had been decided:

7/2024/4097

Development: Erection of 3 dwellings - Outline approval ref 7/2020/4077

Site: Fairfield, Eskdale, Holmrook

DISMISSED

Committee Decision

7/2025/5118

Development: Change of use of annex to flexible use as either ancillary accommodation or short-term holiday letting

Site: 1, Fir Garth, Chapel Stile, Ambleside

DISMISSED

Delegated Decision

E/2024/0096

Development: Construction of a wooden building in the curtilage of the dwelling known as Low Wood Cottage

Site: Low Wood Cottage, Wasdale, Seascale, Cumbria

Appeals A & B DISMISSED - Enforcement Notice Upheld subject to variation

Appeals C & D DISMISSED

44/26 Tree Preservation Orders made

Decided: to note that the following Tree Preservation Orders have been made:

TPO 492 The Boathouse, Another Place

Members congratulated Officers for the quality of the work and skill put into appeals' applications.

(The meeting concluded at 12:18)

Annex 1:

Public participation: Development Control Committee – (1 April 2026)

Planning ref. number	Planning application site	Name of person speaking
7/2025/5707 1	Alma's Meadow, Smithy Lane, Bowness-on- Windermere	Mrs J Frith (Objector)
		Mr D Hardy (Objector)
7/2025/5708 2	Levens Farm, Staveley in Cartmel, Ulverston	
		Mr P Ward (Applicant) Mr M Harris (Agent)
7/2026/5038 4	1 Dodds Howe, Crossthwaite, Kendal	
		Mr & Mrs A & E Chiverton (Applicant)