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Dear Sirs

**GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION PAPER: "REVIEW OF THE SITING PROCESS FOR
A GEOLOGICAL DISPOSAL FACILITY", SEPTEMBER 2013**

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to DECC's consultation paper above.

Aspatia Town Council would not support the project to build a GDF in Allerdale district or indeed within Cumbria.

The Town Council feel very strongly about Town and Parish Councils being excluded from the process and the Executive should not speak without consultation. It appears this has been deliberately framed by you with the intention of removing decision making bodies who previously said no under the earlier process. We would also welcome your clear definition of the term "community".

Yours sincerely

Helen Ostle
Town Clerk