

Waberthwaite & Corney Parish Council

This is the submission on behalf of Waberthwaite & Corney Parish Council to the Boundary Commission for the Electoral Ward Boundaries in Mid and South Copeland.

In identifying these wards, the following aspects and consideration were taken into consideration:

- Ease of access and communications for the public and public services
- The “sense of place” that these communities have had for decades
- Population density and appropriate numbers of elected members to the recommended ward boundaries
- The proposed naming of the wards, (Yellow = Mid Copeland, Blue = South West Copeland, Green = South East Copeland) gave consideration to reducing the possibility of conflict and or angst relating to historic terminology. They provide a logical description relating to the actual location to assist tourism and service providers.
- Mid Copeland (Yellow Area on the map) will include the Lake District National Park Authority Service Centre of Gosforth. There are many shops, restaurants, library and village hall. Mid Copeland links Seascale with its shops, supermarket, library, three churches, leisure facilities, primary school, surgery that covers down to Bootle, and railway station with the wider valley areas. The Low Level Waste Repository at Drigg is a major employer in the area and is sited close to the railway station. Within Holmrook there is a vehicle repair centre, a well-stocked garage/local shop and an agricultural supplier/post office all based on the A595. **This would be a two-member ward**
- South West Copeland (Blue area on the map) has the A595 running almost its full length. It has railway stations at Ravenglass (with access to Boot via the Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway), Bootle and Silecroft. These links provide access to the hotels, shops, the Roman Fort and Railway Museum in Ravenglass; Waberthwaite provides easy access via the A595 to its general store/post office; the Lake District National Park Authority’s Service Centre at Bootle with its store/post office, agricultural engineering business, coal depot, new fire and rescue station with Cumbria County Council Highways depot, restaurant, sports facilities and beach. The Silecroft golf course is used by locals from throughout South West Copeland as there is access by road and rail. Silecroft village offers a pub/restaurant, adult and children’s leisure facilities to locals and tourists. The beach at Silecroft is widely used by locals and tourists and sports enthusiasts for wind surfing and horse riding. It also has a caravan site which is used by locals and tourists. Haverigg village supports locals and tourists alike through its beach cafe, holiday camp, caravan site and pubs. The coast is a major link for these communities. **This would be a two-member ward**
- South East Copeland (Green on the map) is served by Millom a Service Centre for Copeland Borough Council. It has a railway station that is well used. There is a cottage hospital and surgery serving mainly residents from South of Bootle to the Duddon

Bridge through to Ulpha. It has a library and Age UK centre. There are two residential Homes and an Extra Care Development. Shoppers are served by two supermarkets along with other shops. It has a selection of pubs and restaurants and a business park. There are two theatres, a sports centre and a public park. Most of the residents and businesses use the roads out of Millom to the East for their major service centre, large shops and major Hospital services. **This would be a three-member ward.**

This submission should go alongside the Northern Section of the Mayor of Copeland's submission.

