

SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF PUBLIC LIFE
Selflessness – Integrity – Objectivity – Accountability – Openness – Honesty - Leadership

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

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4th December 2025

A meeting of Keswick Town Council will be held on Thursday 11 December 2025 at the Quaker Meeting House, Elliot Park, Keswick at **7.00 pm**.

Yours sincerely



Vivien Little
Town Clerk

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies**
To receive apologies for absence.
- 2. Minutes**
To authorise the Chair to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 20th November 2025 (pages 32-36) (enclosed).
- 3. Requests for Dispensations**
The Clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.
- 4. Declarations of Interests**
To receive declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting). Members may, however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, as well as any other registrable or other interests.

If a member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote, he/she is advised to contact the Clerk at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting

- 5. Matters to be received from the Public**
Such matters may be received throughout the meeting, however, items raised should not be discussed for longer than 10 minutes and the Chairman reserves the right to curtail repetitious matters. Public participation shall not be longer than half an hour throughout the meeting.

6. Matters to be raised by Councillors

An opportunity for Councillors to raise any unforeseen matters which are not on the agenda, with the consent of the Chair, and which do not require a decision – items raised should not be discussed for longer than 10 minutes.

7. Applications for Development

- i) To examine applications for development and agree observations to be submitted to the Lake District National Park Authority (Planning Group report to be circulated prior the meeting).
- ii) To receive update on National Park planning decisions.

8. Mayor's Report

To receive details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 14th November 2025 – 4th December 2025.

9. Reports from Ward Representatives

To receive reports from the following representatives:

- i) Cumberland Council
- ii) LDNPA North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative (if available)

10. Payment of Accounts

To approve the payment of accounts for December 2025 as recommended by the Inspection Committee (list to be circulated prior to the meeting):

- i) For the Town Council
- ii) For the Trusts.

11. Grants 2026/27

To agree grants to local organisations for the 2026/27 budget.

12. Clerk's Report

To receive the report from the Clerk.

13. Consultation Response

- i. To agree a Keswick Town Council response to the Lake District National Park Authority consultation on its proposed Management Plan. This has been previously circulated to Councillors.
- ii. To agree a Keswick Town Council response to the Lake District National Park Authority consultation on a Public Bridleway Creation – Burns Road to Threlkeld Station.

14. Police Report

To receive the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team (if available).

To: All Councillors
Police
Press

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Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council held at the Quaker Meeting House, Keswick on Thursday 20th November 2025 at 7pm.

Present:

Chair
Councillor Louise Dunn

Councillors		
Natalie Evans	Steve Harwood	Chris Houghton
Claire Houghton	Denstone Kemp	Benita Laphorn
Jean Murray	Claire Peat	Richard Scott

Also present was Vivien Little (Town Clerk), Catherine Parker (Responsible Financial Officer), four members of the press, and members of the public.

119. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Taylor. Her apologies were accepted and noted by Councillors.

120. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Chair be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 16th October 2025 (pages 28-31).

121. Requests for Dispensations

The Clerk reported that no requests for dispensations had been received.

122. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made at this meeting.

123. Matters to be received from the Public

A member of the public raised concerns over the future of the Tourist Information Centre given the recent news that the Lake District National Park were unlikely to renew the lease, following advertisement of the lease. The member of the public was concerned that the loss of the Tourist Information Centre could have a wide ranging impact on both residents and visitors to Keswick, and requested that the Town Council write to Battersby Trust, as well as to the Lake District National Park Authority, the local MP and to Cumberland, and they hoped that the Town Council would petition to keep the Tourist Information Centre in the Moot Hall.

A Trustee of the Battersby Trust responded to the member of the public. The new lessee would be required to keep a portion of the Moot Hall for community use, and any purely commercial applications were dismissed. The Trustee could not say any more regarding this due to commercial confidentiality, but he reassured Councillors that the Battersby Trust were acting in the best interest of the Trust. He then gave an update on the objectives of the Battersby Trust, as well as the grants that had been given out most recently.

The first member of the public was reassured by Councillor Lansbury (Cumberland Council) that the Lake District National Park were doing their best to retain some form of Tourist Information Centre in Keswick.

124. Matters to be raised by Councillors

No matters were raised by Councillors at this meeting.

125. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

RECEIVED a report from the following representatives:

- i) Keswick Tourism Association – Council representative Chris Houghton.
- ii) Keswick Community Emergency Recovery Partnership – Council representative Jean Murray, report given by Councillor Claire Peat (as project manager of KCERP).

126. Applications for Development

- i) **RESOLVED** that the following applications be submitted to the Lake District National Park Authority (LDNPA) (*Action – RFO*)

Plan Ref.	Description, Location, Comments Recommendation
T/2025/0200	Tree 1 Elm - crown reduction to 8m - to reduce overhanging branches and overall height. Tree 2 Wild Cherry - crown reduction to 8m - to reduce overall height 9 Fenton, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 4AZ Withdrawn application
T/2025/0216	T1 - Cherry tree, create clearance of approx. 2.5 - 3 ft over outbuilding, Subtle crown reduction to keep in keeping with size of location, reduce away from neighbouring property 13, Acorn Street, Keswick, CA12 4EA <i>Support – this is within the Conservation Area and we support the recommendations of Precision Tree Services</i> SUPPORT
T/2025/0217	Fell T1 - Cherry - a suppressed tree with a heavy lean over neighbouring ground/property and growing through multiple service wires. T2 - Oak - remove lower horizontal limb going over neighbouring ground/property Keswick Ministries, Skiddaw Street, Keswick, CA12 4BY <i>Support – the trees concerned are subject to a Tree Preservation Order but we support the justification given by Julian Grave of Derwent Charcoal and Tree services for the action proposed</i> SUPPORT
T/2025/0218	T1 - Cypress tree - Fell- outgrown location The Hollies, Flat 1 High Street, Keswick, CA12 5AH <i>Support – the tree is within the Conservation Area and we support the recommendation of Julian Grave of Derwent Charcoal and Tree services</i> SUPPORT
7/2025/2174	Variation of condition 2 (plans) of planning permission 7/2023/2161 - Addition of dormer & porch plus alteration of windows on rear. Removal of rear chimney - to change the design of the dormer 11, Fenton, Keswick, CA12 4AZ <i>Support – we now consider this application relative to the original proposal approved by LDNPA which we objected to. We support the changes in materials proposed but would prefer the new windows in the dormer to be full height opening lights in lieu of the horizontal split windows shown, to follow the pattern of the existing house</i> SUPPORT
7/2025/2186	Use of property as a residential special school (Class C2) CLEUD - Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use or Development Old Windebrowe, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 4NT <i>No comments required</i>

- 7/2025/2189 Erection of a single storey local occupancy dwelling
Land at Vendace Court, Keswick, CA12 4EU
Object – permission was granted for a single “affordable” local occupancy dwelling in 2022, in accordance with current Planning Policy for developments which exceed 5 houses. We sympathise with the aspirations of the applicant but the proposal to remove the ‘affordable’ criteria would set an unacceptable precedent which others would follow as a means of circumventing this policy at a time when provision of affordable housing is below the expected target. We do not accept the viability considerations put forward that provision of an “affordable” dwelling is not financially viable. This is entirely related to the value put on the plot and size of dwelling proposed. This was part of the original application site for 6 houses already built and in this context could be considered as “free” land. The size of the dwelling now proposed has increased from the original proposal when it should be determined by what is reasonably affordable. We have previously supported the amended design but we consider it to be vitally important that the affordability criteria is maintained. The self build option proposed should make it easier to justify
OBJECT
- 7/2025/2191 Demolition of current garage and construction of two storey double garage
Clarewood, Lonsties, Keswick, CA12 4TD
Support – the proposed new double garage with office space over is of a scale and design compatible with the existing house on a large plot with no impact on neighbouring properties
SUPPORT
- 7/2025/2193 Change of use of garage to habitable spaces and repairs and renovation of main front porch building
Lairbeck House, Vicarage Hill, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5QB
Support - Lairbeck House was approved for use as an “Aparthotel” in 2023. The proposal to convert an existing garage to an additional 2 individual letting units is compatible with the existing Aparthotel use with no impact on neighbouring properties. We also support the proposed new entrance porch in place of the existing
SUPPORT
- 7/2025/2195 Replacement of 6 single glazed sash and case windows on the front elevation with double glazed sash and case windows
Twentyman Court, Penrith Road, Keswick, CA12 4HQ
Support – this is a Grade II listed building and we support the replacement of existing single glazed windows with new timber double glazed windows to match the design of the existing, as the details proposed
SUPPORT
- 7/2025/2197 Outline application for a residential development comprising of the retention of an existing 3-bedroom 2 storey dwelling and the removal of the ground floor northeast utility room and carport to improve vehicular access and the erection of a new detached double garage. The construction of two self-build/custom-build 3-bedroom 2 storey dwellings with garages. Construction of a new site access off Manor Brow and associated vision splays. Construction of a new access road and turning head serving Manor Glen (existing dwelling) and self-build/custom-build Plots 1 & 2. Formation of parking areas for each plot. Associated external works, construction of bin holding areas and limited tree removal with some matters reserved. Manor Glen, Ambleside Road, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 4AG
Support – we support this Outline application which removes the existing vehicle access off the path leading to Grizedale Close. A new vehicle access is proposed to serve all three dwellings off Manor Brow with associated works to provide the required visibility. The proposed alterations to the existing house and relocated new double garage are acceptable. The 2 new houses are accommodated within designated plots in the grounds of the existing house and retains the remaining mature landscaping. These will be subject to approval of the detailed

design. We support this proposal subject to the local occupancy condition applicable to new houses

SUPPORT

- 7/2025/2200 Replacement of wooden sliding sash windows on the front and side elevations
The Archway, 17, St John Street, Keswick, Cumbria, CA12 5AE
Support – this dwelling forms part of a grade II listed terrace. We support the replacement of existing windows with new timber double glazed sliding sash windows to match the design of the existing, as the details provided
- SUPPORT**

- ii) **RECEIVED** update on National Park planning decisions.

127. Mayor's Report

RECEIVED details of the Mayor's engagements and meeting attendance for the period 10th October – 13th November 2025.

128. Reports from Ward Representatives

RECEIVED reports from the following representatives:

- i) Cumberland Council – Councillor Lansbury was in attendance. She gave an update on her work as the Cumberland representative on the Lake District National Park, and asked Councillors if they would appreciate if the Visitor Service Manager gave to talk to Councillors, which was agreed. Work on the Howrah's path would take place in January 2026, which was a collaboration between the LDNPA and Cumberland Council.
- ii) LDNPA North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative. **RECEIVED** the report of the LDNPA North Distinctive Area Parishes Representative.

129. Visitor Management Working Group

RECEIVED a report from Councillor Peat and the Clerk.

130. Reserves and Investment Policy

RECEIVED the report of the Responsible Financial Officer and approve the updated Reserves and Investment Policy.

RESOLVED that:

- i) The Reserves and Investment Policy be agreed (*Action – Clerk*); and
- ii) Delegated authority be given to the Responsible Financial Officer to move the majority of the reserves held in Unity Bank to CCLA, leaving the minimum amount in Unity Bank to keep the account open (*Action – Responsible Financial Officer*).

Councillor Kemp voted against the second proposal.

131. Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the accounts for November 2025 as approved by the Inspection Committee be authorised for payments:

- i) For the Town Council, vouchers 186-210, amounting to £56,623.12 (fifty six thousand six hundred and twenty three pounds and twelve pence)
- ii) For the Trusts, vouchers HP111-FP135, amounting to £12,911.21 (twelve thousand nine hundred and eleven pounds and twenty one pence)

132. Police Report

RECEIVED the report of the Allerdale Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team.

Prior to the following business the Chair moved the following resolution:

'That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted'

133. Clerk's Report

Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk

RESOLVED that the recommendations in the report be agreed, and the Responsible Financial Officer enquire whether a discount on the work was possible (Action – Responsible Financial Officer).

The meeting closed at 8.27p.m.

Chair

Date

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 11TH DECEMBER 2025

MAYOR'S ENGAGEMENTS & MEETING ATTENDANCE

For period 14th November 2025 to 4th December 2025

Tuesday 18 November	attended press night for the 'Wizard of Oz' at theatre by the lake
Thursday 20 November	chaired Town Council meeting
Friday 21 November	hosted Christmas lights switch on
Tuesday 25 November	attended meeting with Cumberland Council officers facilitated by Cllr Sally Lansbury about possible action to be taken against a small number of holiday lets in Keswick where there are persistent issues with poor management/ disturbances to the neighbours
Wednesday 26 November	local Plan meeting. To discuss the town's input into the process being run by LDNPA.
Tuesday 2 December	budget planning meeting with fellow councillors to agree draft budget
Thursday 4 December	Community partnership chaired by Rev. Charles Hope

Decisions Received from LDNPA

Planning Decisions Received between 14/11/2025 & 04/12/2025

Plan Ref	Date of Application	Location	Postcode	Description	KTC Observations	LDNPA Decision	Appeal	Appeal Decision
T/2025/0216	November-25	13, Acorn Street, Keswick	CA12 4EA	Cherry tree (listed as T1 in notification) - Create clearance of approx. 2.5 - 3 ft over outbuilding, Subtle crown reduction to keep in keeping with size of location, reduce away from neighbouring property.	SUPPORT	GRANTED		
T/2025/0218	November-25	The Hollies, Flat 1 High Street, Keswick	CA12 5AH	Cypress tree (listed as T1 in the notification) - Fell to ground level.	SUPPORT	GRANTED		
7/2025/2182	October-25	Bow Place, Keswick,	CA12 4LT	Proposed widening of driveway exit to improve vehicle visibility splay and improve safety (part retrospective)	SUPPORT	GRANTED		
7/2025/2186	October-25	Old Windebrowe, Keswick	CA12 4NT	Use of property as a residential special school (Class C2) CLEUD - Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use or Development.	<i>No comments required</i>	GRANTED		

Planning Applications received between 14/11/2025 - 4/12/2025

Plan ref	Reply by	Location	Description of Proposed Development
7/2025/2206	15-Dec-25	Driftwood Cottage, Crosthwaite Road, Keswick, CA12 5PG	Proposed external alteration work to existing dwelling to include construction of a domestic garage and garden store building, and the construction of flood resistant barrier wall following approval of 7/2021/2297 - Variation of condition 2 (plans) of planning permission 7/2022/2292 to revise design of dwelling
7/2025/2215	23-Dec-25	Castlehead Medical Centre, Ambleside Road, Keswick, CA12 4DB	To carry out engineering operations to resurface and slightly enlarge the existing driveway, including areas of gravel and grass
7/2025/2216	24-Dec-25	28, Manor Park, Keswick, CA12 4AA	Demolition of garage and erection of single storey extension to the side and rear.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: Interested parties are invited to let the Town Clerk have their comments, in writing or via email to:
townclerk@keswicktowncouncil.gov.uk prior to
the meeting regarding any of the planning applications on this sheet.

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2025 - PAYABLE MAY 2026

AGENDA ITEM 11.

Grant Given 2025	Name of organisation	Nature of Project	Local Cause?	Grant Requested for 2026	Comments	Grant Recommended for Approval
500	Citizens Advice Allerdale	To provide advice services to the residents of Keswick. Providing essential information, advice and support services to promote social equity. Meeting the needs of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged residents; many of whom are on a low income and living in a rural area.	Y	£750		£750.00
0	Keswick Football Club	To support a project to develop an all weather sports facility in Keswick, as a community partnership between Keswick School, Keswick FC and Keswick RUFC. A 9x9 size pitch is currently the most feasible option for a community the size of Keswick and this would cost £500,000 to £600,000. The Football Foundation can provide 50% of all costs, including fencing, lighting, goals, maintenance equipment and the pitch surface. They are also working with local MP Markus Campbell-Savours to explore options for funding from central government, such as the £400 million to be invested in new grassroots facilities - announced by the Department for Media, Culture and Sports (DCMS) in June.	Y	£2,000	Councillor Harwood - Declared Interest	£2,000.00
1500	1st Keswick Scouts Group	Grant will go towards insurance premium, for the centre and equipment. It will help to provide accommodation to help young people take part in the scouting program, gain their awards, including Kings Scouts Award and to have fun. They offer a challenging programmes which attracts Keswick's young people and have a waiting list. All sections have programmes which develop young people and give them experiences to challenge them. Although hall and equipment provides a safe and secure environment for young people age 6 to 18 and all adults leaders/helpers must ensure the building and equipment abides by regulations and is insured. They also require to provide insurance cover for all adults helpers while engaged on scouts activities.	Y	£1,500		£1,500.00

7500	Keswick Youth Centre Services	To contribute to the Youth Club venue hire of one quarterly rent. Youth Club continues to operate from the top floor of the Rawnsley Centre in the town, the rent totalling to £14500 per year (£3625 per 3 months). This single space venue is crucial to the delivery of important services to their 180 + members by paid qualified Lead Youth Worker and newly recruited Youth Worker who started her role on 1st September 2025, supported by the committed group of 12 volunteer youth workers. The importance of securing this base for a further three years has been significant for our Workers as they have been able to expand the range of support offered to members during the 3 existing weekly evening clubs during term time which include the provision of food. Each of these sessions are very popular and attracts between 30 and 45 young members every week.	Y	£3,625.00		£3,625.00
0	Two's Company Keswick	The grant will supplement the core cost of part time self employed scheme coordinator and the small associated office cost. they are looking to recruit an additional part time coordinator this coming year which will incur increased salary costs. The grant will help to provide support for all people living locally within the CA12 area who are disadvantaged by way of loneliness arising because of various reasons. This includes elderly without local family or friends to call on, people of all ages with disabilities or general health issues causing mobility issues and social isolation. ZCK works closely with other local organisations to identify people with needs and then ensure solutions by finding people to provide that much needed social interaction on an ongoing basis.	Y	£1,000.00		£1,000.00
2000	Theatre by the Lake	To continue to develop and increase provision and access for children and young people from across Keswick and surrounding area, giving them opportunity to engage with theatre. This includes Youth Theatre , Under 4s provision and working with schools offering reduced price tickets and workshops and teachers CPD.	Y	£3,000		£3,000.00
			Total	£11,875.00		£11,875.00
			Requested	£11,875.00		£11,875.00

KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

11 December 2025

Clerk's Report

Derwent Water Designated Bathing Status

The latest report from the West Cumbria Rivers Trust on the Bathing Status for Derwent Water, and Water Quality has been released, and as you can see from the attached letter, has been designated once again as 'Poor'. There is information in the letter about a future inperson meeting to discuss the results and to try to create an action plan moving forward for the 2026 season, so if this is something that interests you, please follow the link in the letter to confirm your availability. As soon as the date is known, I will forward it onto Councillors.

Vivien Little

2 December 2025



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25th November 2025

To whom it may concern,

Re: Derwent Water Designated Bathing Waters Status and Water Quality

We have written to you previously to advise about Bathing Water status for Derwent water at Crow Park. West Cumbria Rivers Trust (WCRT), along with the National Trust (NT), the Environment Agency (EA), Cumberland Council, the LDNPA, United Utilities and local lake users have formed a partnership called Cherish Derwent Water; a collaborative effort to improve the water quality and overall health of Derwent Water and its surrounding area for people and wildlife. For more information, please see our web page here: <https://www.westcumbriariverstrust.org/friends> (please note this is yet to be updated with the 2025 results)

You will be aware from our previous correspondence that water quality testing around the bay at Crow Park has been carried out throughout the bathing waters seasons of 2023 (through WCRT and NT) and 2024 and 2025 (by the EA). The Environment Agency has today released the results for 2025 bathing water season and classified the water quality at Crow Park on Derwent Water once again as 'Poor'. This follows the second full year of monitoring since the site was granted Bathing Water Status in 2024. For more information please see: [2025 Statistics on English coastal and inland bathing waters: A summary of compliance with the Bath...](#) along with the full list of classifications: [Bathing water classifications 2025- GOV.UK](#).

The 'Poor' classification indicates elevated levels of bacterial contamination, including *E. coli* and intestinal enterococci, which can pose health risks to lake users, particularly swimmers. The sources of possible pollutants have been investigated over the summer by further water quality sampling at more points around the lake, DNA sampling and desk top studies.

We would like to invite you to an in person meeting in the New Year to discuss these results and any concerns and try to create an action plan going forward for the 2026 Bathing Season. Please complete the doodle poll here for your availability: <https://doodle.com/group-poll/participate/bmXo86na> and we will pick the date that suits the most people. This will be in Keswick and a venue will be secured depending on numbers attending.



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Please note however, West Cumbria Rivers Trust do not currently have funding for continuing the running of Cherish Derwent Water going forward and any ideas for support would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jodie Mills', is written over a light grey circular background.

Jodie Mills
Director
West Cumbria Rivers Trust



Proposed public bridleway, Burns Road to Newsham Road via Threlkeld Station

From Nick Thorne <Nick.Thorne@lakedistrict.gov.uk>

Date Wed 2025-11-19 17:35

To Nick Thorne <Nick.Thorne@lakedistrict.gov.uk>

2 attachments (7 MB)

Option A consultation maps.pdf; Option B consultation maps.pdf;

Dear consultee / landowner / interested party

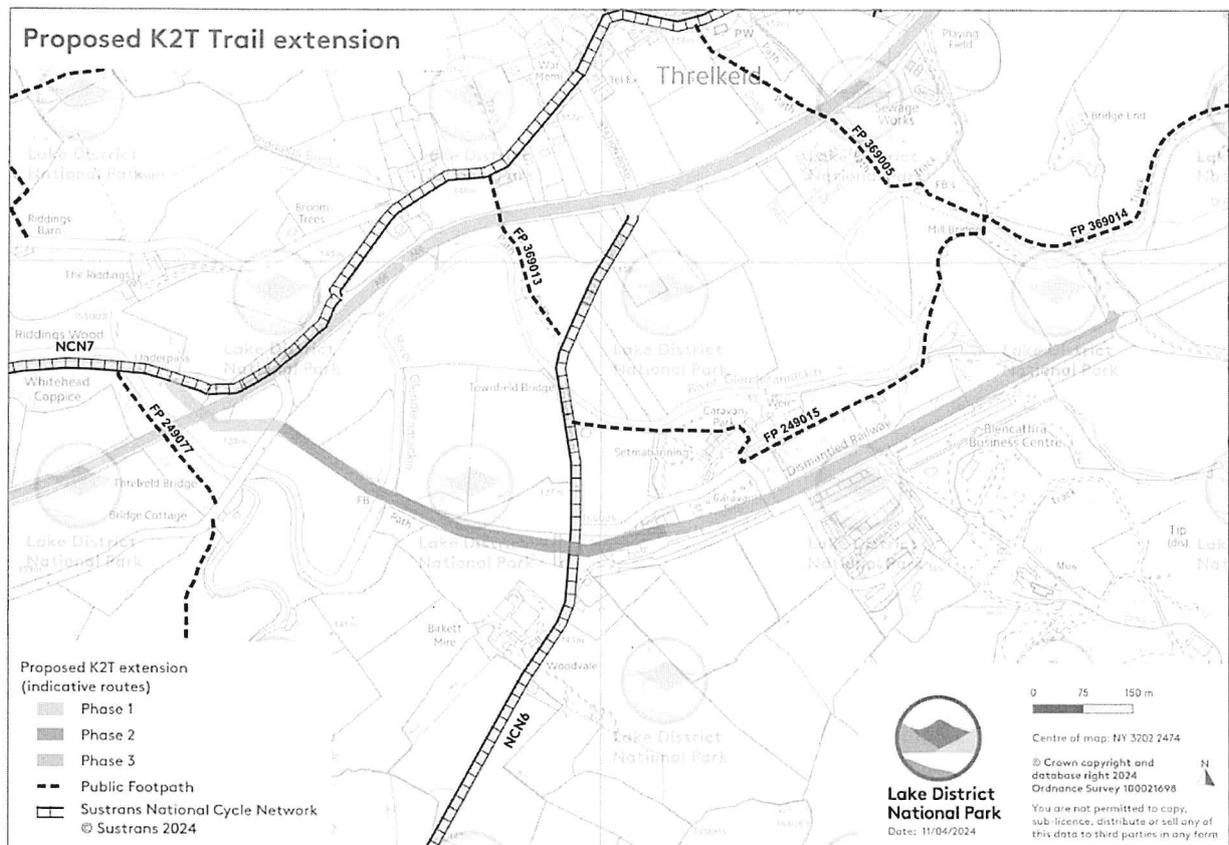
Proposed public bridleway, Burns Road to Newsham Road via Threlkeld Station

You will most likely be aware that we have been working on a proposal to extend the current Keswick to Threlkeld railway path so that it fully connects with the National Cycle Network – route 6, which runs along the St John's in the Vale road, to provide a safe and traffic-free way of crossing the A66, as well as linking to additional car parking facilities.

There has been widespread consultation and publicity – and further details can be found on our website here [Keswick to Threlkeld link : Lake District National Park](#) and [Support for proposals to extend Keswick to Threlkeld Railway route : Lake District National Park](#)

The project team have recently submitted a planning application for the physical works that would be required to bring this route into usage for the relevant users. This can be found here. [Citizen Portal Planning - 7/2025/2184](#)

Alongside this, we are consulting on the concurrent proposal to create much of this route legally as a public bridleway. It is proposed that section/phase 1 running from the existing railway path to Burns Road is a tarmac permitted foot and cycle path (it will run over land we have purchased for the purpose), to tie it in with the existing status of the railway path.



Between Burns Road and Newsham Road (sections/phases 2 and 3) we do not own all of the land, and therefore cannot guarantee short or long-term permitted status. We consider that to ensure that the investment and route is protected for future usage, the most appropriate thing to do would be to create it as an unsealed (stone surface) public bridleway. This will give access for pedestrians, cyclists and horse-riders. The surfacing will be wider than presently visible on the ground on section 2, but probably only around 2m – with verges (no wider than the railway sub-base). Section 3 is mainly already physically complete, as improvement works were carried out a while back under a different scheme.

We are also planning to build a bridge across the road at Threlkeld Station with Cumberland Council’s involvement. However, Cumberland Council have not yet formally approved this, and so there is a second consultation option of an at-grade road crossing. This would mean that the section through our car park would not be needed, but we would create a physical link on our land from the car park to the bridleway.

I am therefore formally consulting on the legal creation as a public bridleway of sections 2 and 3 (as shown on the attached maps)

- Option A - a through public bridleway over the bridge with a short link to the road A-K, and
- Option B – a bridleway to the western side of Station Road, with an at-grade road crossing with a short bridleway gap where users will go along the Setmabanning Road to point A.

If you would like to comment on this/these please do so before the end of December 2025. Your comments will then be taken into consideration by our Head of Service or our Rights of Way Committee – depending on the nature of the submissions we receive.

Please do not comment on the planning application to me. If you wish to comment on the planning application – please do so via the link above. Likewise – please don’t comment on the bridleway creation order via the planning portal – but send them to me.

I am on leave now until 3 December 2025, but if you have any questions that you wish to discuss before then, please contact sharon.hodgson@lakedistrict.gov.uk

Many thanks.

Nick Thorne
Senior Rights of Way Officer
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My normal working week is Monday to Thursday

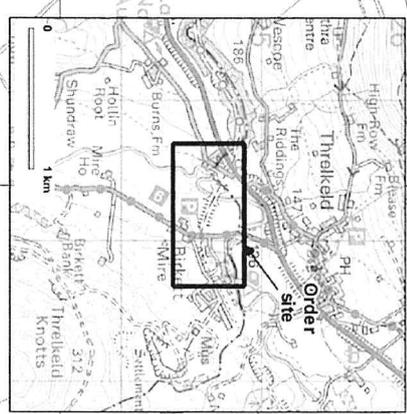
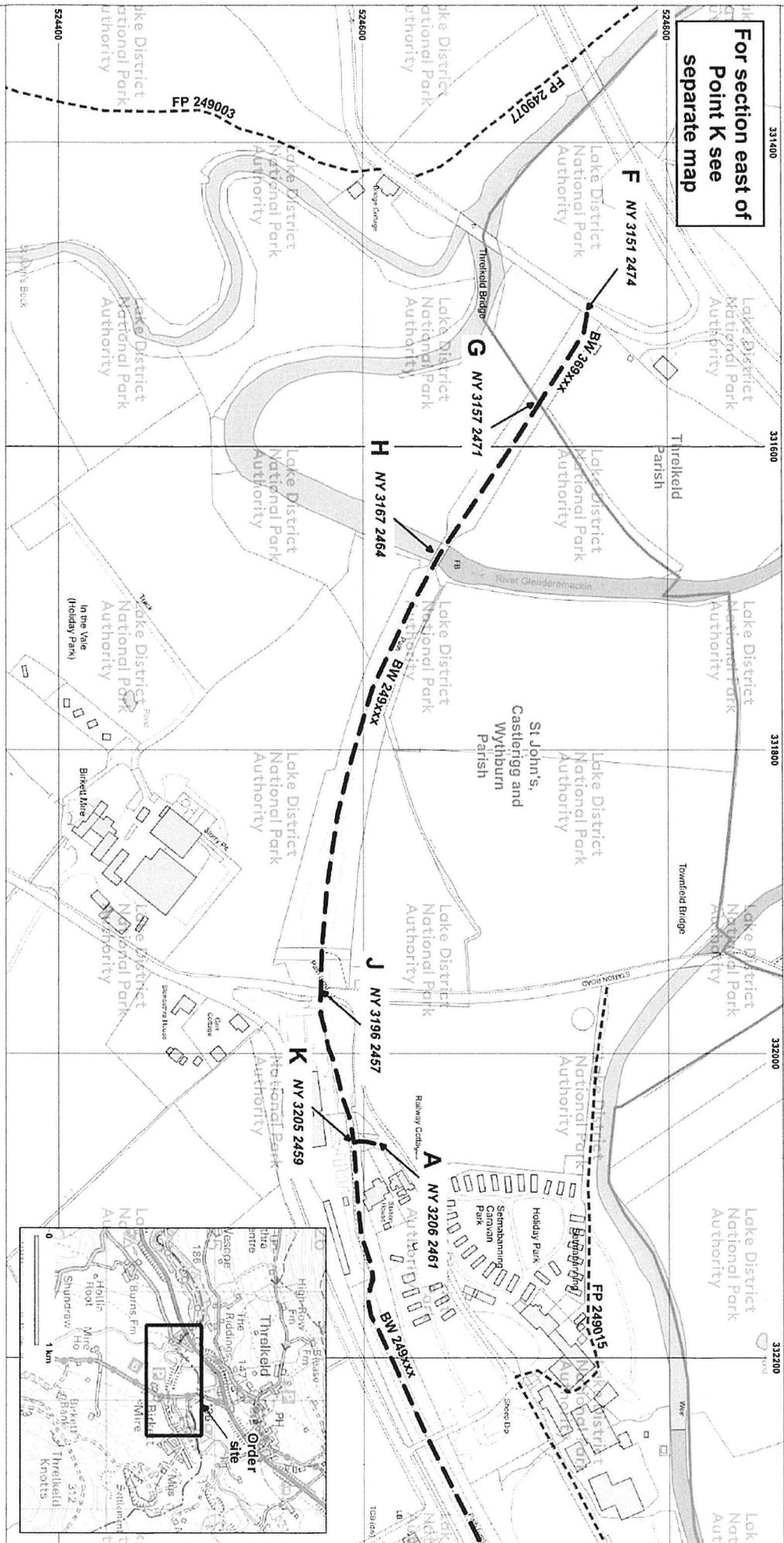
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Public Bridleway Creation – Burns Road to Threlkeld Station - 249xxx/369xxx, Threlkeld and St John's, Casterigg & Wythburn Parishes
 Highways Act 1980 Section 26 and Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 Section 53A

OPTION A - Bridge across Station Road



For section east of Point K see separate map



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- Bridleway to be created
- Unaffected public rights of way
- Footpath
- Bridleway
- Parish boundary

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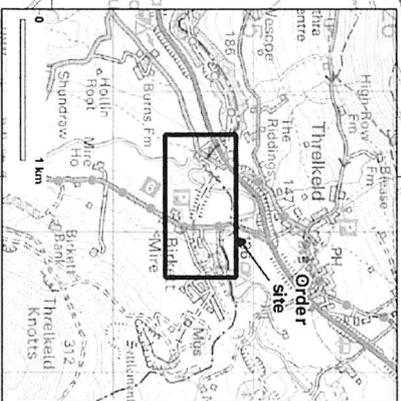
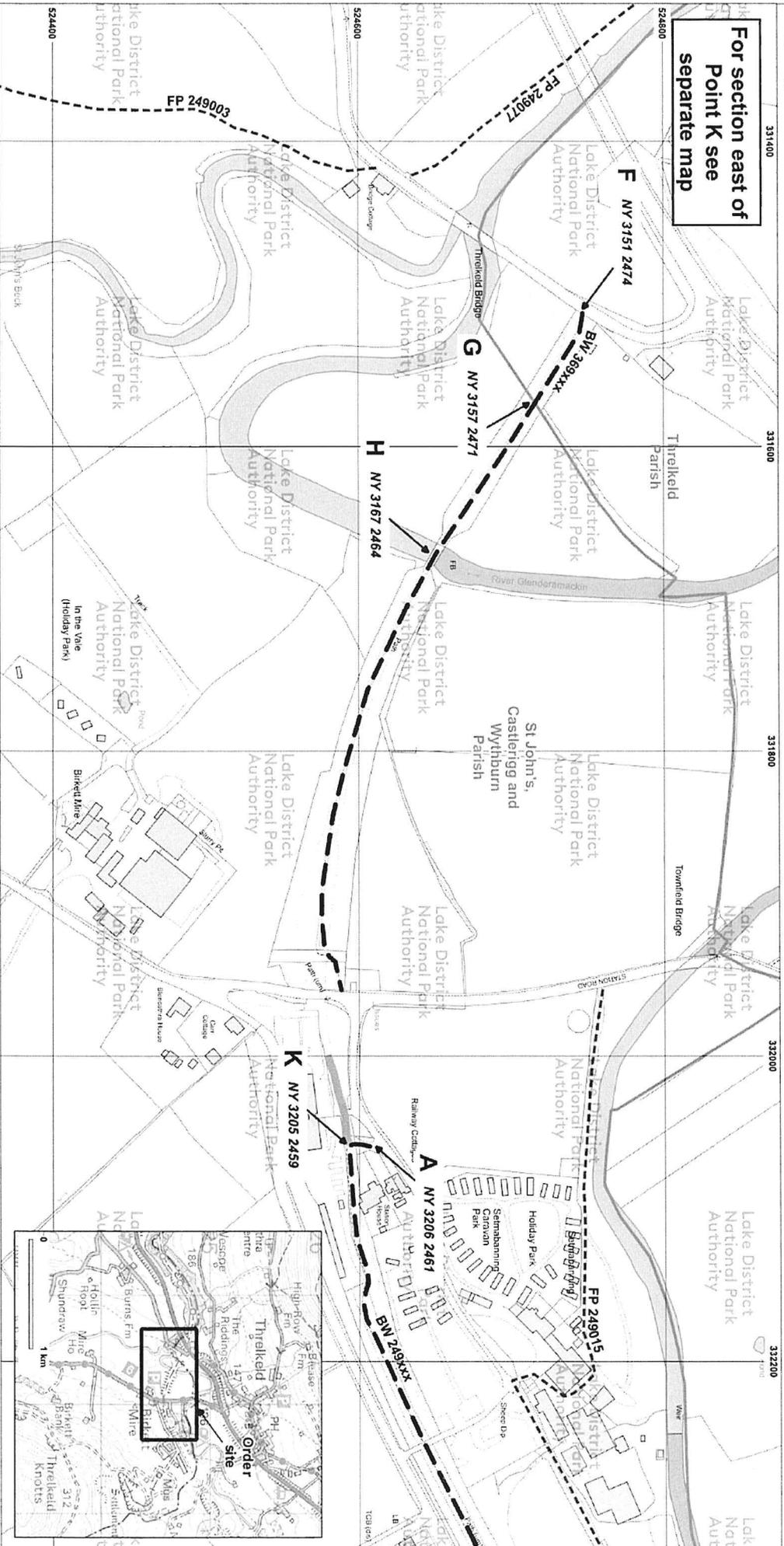
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OPTION B - At-grade crossing of Station Road



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— Bridleway to be created

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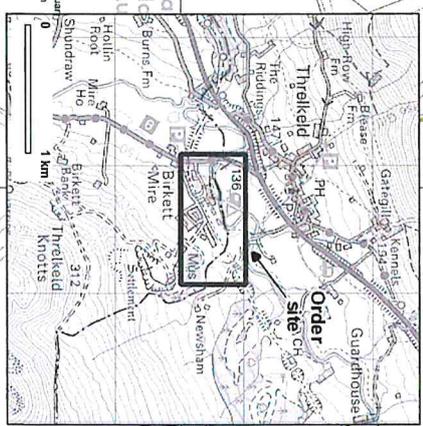
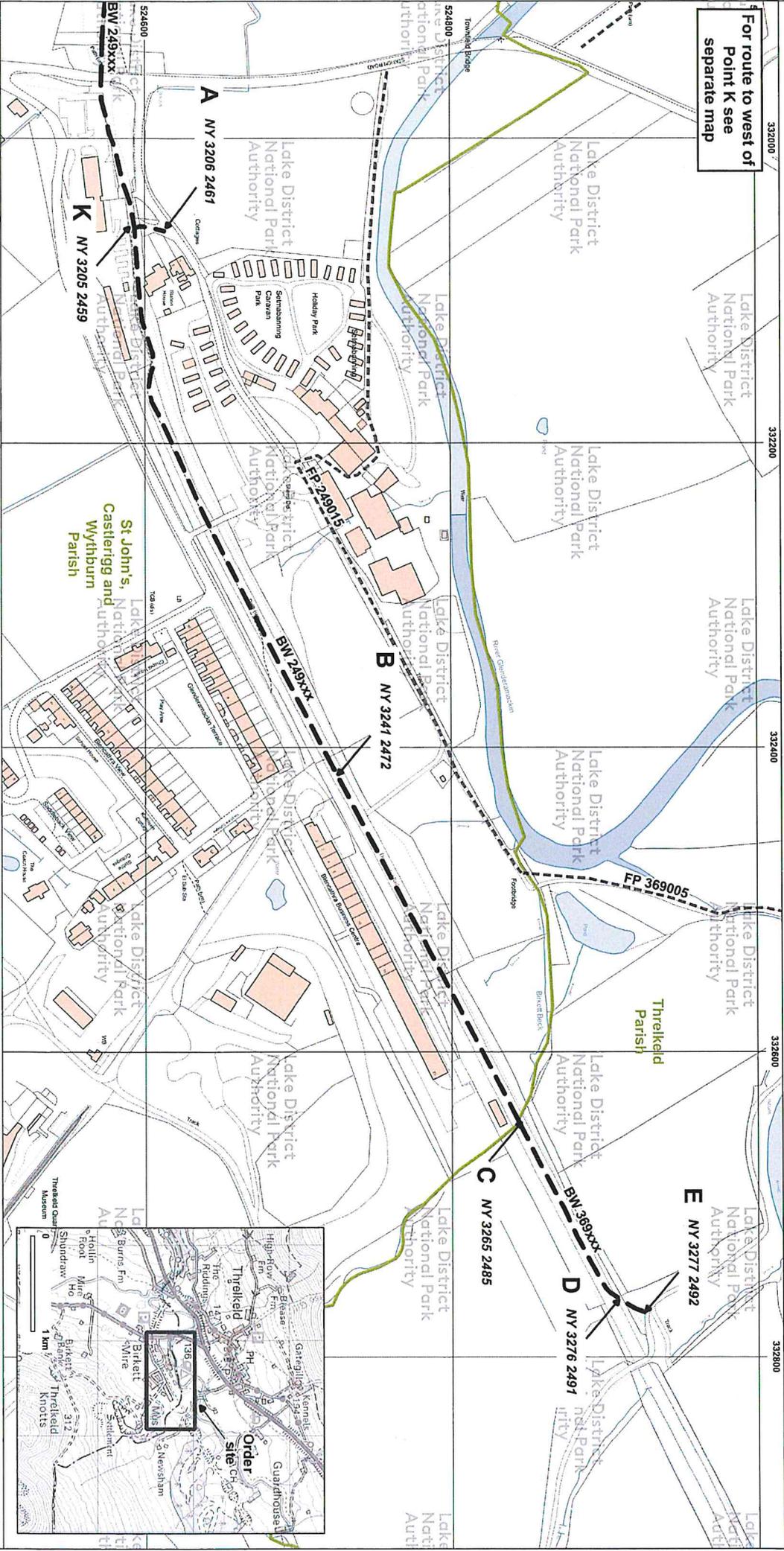
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OPTION A - Bridge across Station Road



For route to west of Point K see separate map



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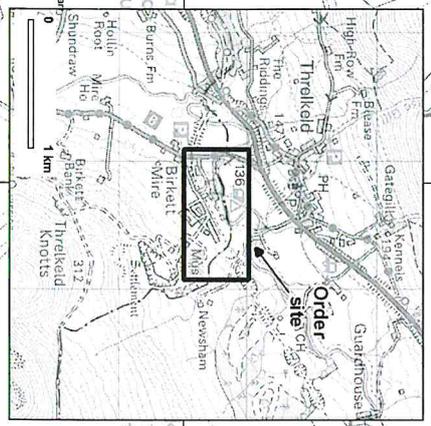
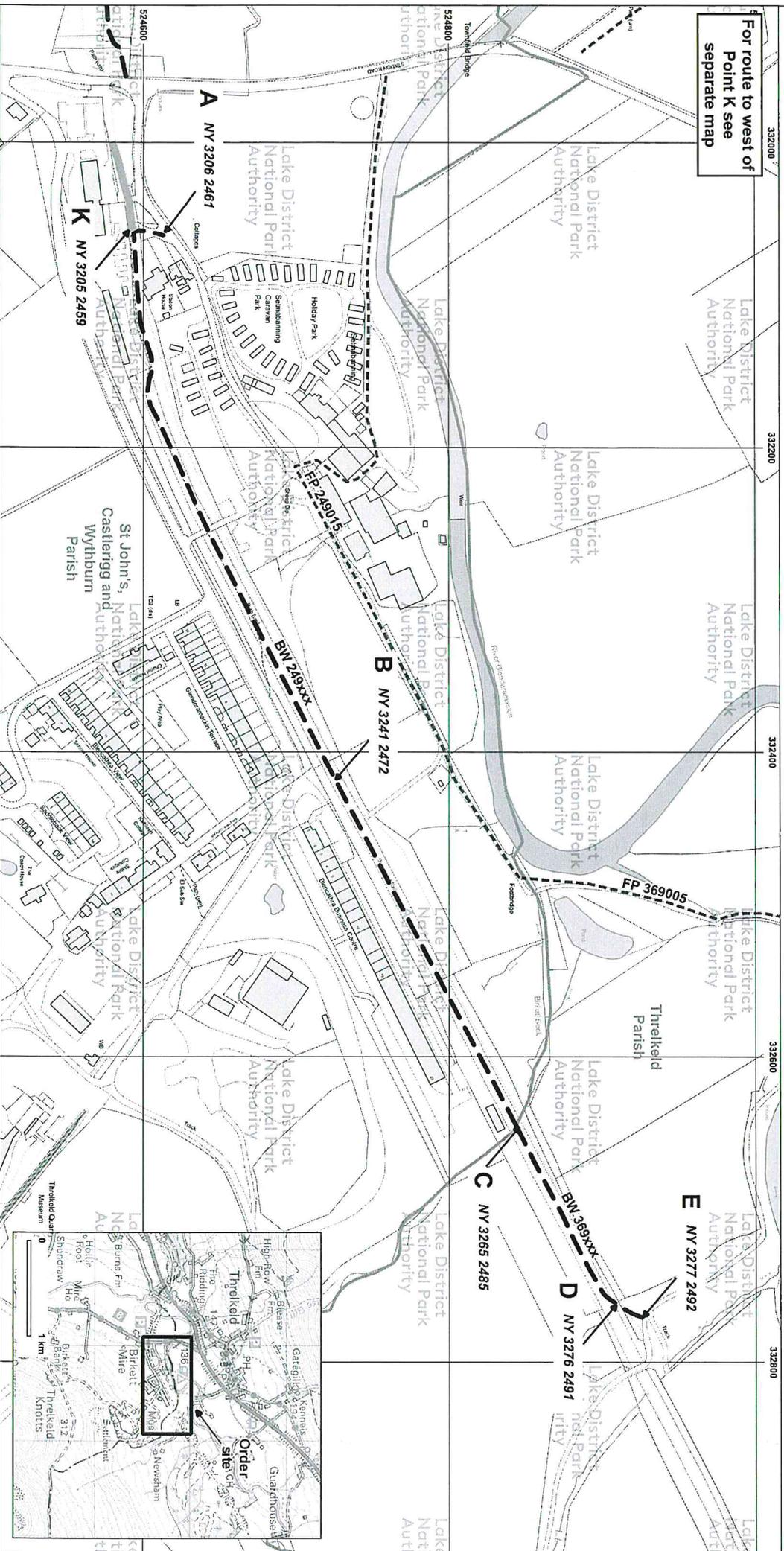
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OPTION B - At-grade crossing of Station Road

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