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11th April 2023 Dear Ms McKenzie

23/00649/FUL Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling and garage. Allerton Grange Farm Allerton Park Knaresborough North Yorkshire HG5 0SE

Thank you for consulting The Gardens Trust (GT) in its role as Statutory Consultee with regard to proposed development affecting Allerton Park, a site included by Historic England (HE) on their Register of Parks & Gardens, as per the above application, at grade II. (List Entry Number 1000402). The Yorkshire Gardens Trust (YGT) is a member organisation of the GT and works in partnership with it in respect of the protection and conservation of registered sites and is authorised by the GT to respond on GT's behalf in respect of such consultations.

The area for this proposal lies in the south-west corner of the estate within the registered boundary and apparently just to the west of the walled garden and Gardener's Cottage. The c.3ha rectangular brick-walled kitchen garden is of c. 1770 and Listed Grade II with the accompanying Gardener's Cottage on the north-western boundary of a triangular section of the walled garden immediately north of the main kitchen garden.

The documents do not seem to tally with each other: The actual plans and elevations seem to be of a previously approved application and show the original location at an entrance gate and alongside the main boundary wall ('existing brick boundary wall retained'). However, the full block plan and the location plan illustrate a new location on a long drive from the main farm gate and seemingly across parkland out into a random space BUT close to the walled garden Gardener's Cottage.

There is no design and access statement and no mention in any of the documents of the registered park and garden or listed buildings. We would expect a heritage appraisal in relation to the heritage assets.

The Gardens Trust and Yorkshire Gardens Trust recommends refusal of this application for the following reasons:

This is a totally inappropriate location. There is no design and access statement or heritage appraisal. There are no details for the drive, garden or boundary. Yours sincerely Val Hepworth Trustee Conservation and Planning cc. Historic England e-yorks@historicengland.org.uk; Conservation@ the Gardens Trust