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Dear Ms McKenzie

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

Thank you for this revised consultation with the applicants' heritage statement, in your e-mail of 14<sup>th</sup> June.

We understand from your e-mail that you have asked for details on boundary treatment, but to date they have not been submitted and that if necessary, the Council is minded to approve the application and a condition can be added for boundary treatment to be submitted at a later date.

We have read the Heritage Statement and note on page 2 under Development Proposals:

*It should be noted that the farmstead benefits from an extant permission for an agricultural workers dwelling (LPA Ref: 19/00263/FUL) and whilst this permission is extant (due to the laying of a foundation) this dwelling has not been constructed due to the evolution of the farmstead, namely expansion of additional agricultural buildings.*

The main part of Allerton Grange Farm is immediately outside the registered boundary with further agricultural buildings now constructed just within the registered boundary. The brick-walled kitchen garden (Walled Garden) of c.1770 to the north-east of the farm development is listed grade II, with the accompanying Gardener's Cottage as part of the listing.

Regardless of the Heritage Statement the Gardens Trust and Yorkshire Gardens Trust continue our original objection for the following reasons:

- This location is in an open parkland part of the Historic Park and Garden and the drive, plot and building are out of character for the open grassland setting.
- The extant permission for an agricultural workers dwelling (LPA Ref: 19/00263/FUL) is related to the agricultural buildings and if the foundations are there it seems logical and appropriate to continue the construction work in an agricultural setting.

- The chosen site is inappropriately located in the basic curtilage of the listed walled garden and cottage.
- Whilst it is accepted that via a condition more information can be requested, it is our opinion that the remote location requiring a new drive and boundary treatment will look out of character in this setting close to the listed Walled Garden whatever the details.

Finally, if North Yorkshire Council is minded to approve this confusing application, we assume it will have an appropriate agricultural tenancy condition?

Yours sincerely

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