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30th September 2022 Dear Sir/Madam

22/03196/FUL Demolition of existing orangery and day room. Erection of two storey rear extension, single storey extension and front porch. Alterations to fenestration. Gardeners Cottage Allerton Lane Allerton Park 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. 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 close to Allerton Grange which is immediately outside the registered boundary. 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.

Whilst we appreciate that two ground floor extensions will be demolished, the new ground floor is much bigger with another single- storey extension and the new main block which will be two- storey. This, along with four large 'French windows'/patio doors into the walled garden, will create an overall large mass with a huge amount of glazing that is totally out of keeping as a Gardener's Cottage in a grade II historic park and garden.

We have not noted any information on the colour/texture of the tile or brickwork and would have expected the application form or plans to state, 'to match existing'.

The new windows should be timber to match existing and not in upvc/aluminium.

The two-storey extension is very close to the northern boundary of the rectangular walled garden and the first floor will overlook the walled garden.

We are not clear about the new access route to the highway. What sections are new and where is the old route?

For the above reasons the Gardens Trust and Yorkshire Gardens Trust consider that this is an out of character proposal in a historic park and garden and recommend refusal.

Yours sincerely

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