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Dear Mr Hunt

Ref: 26/02285/PLB Listed Building Consent for remedial works to North and South stonework bays and cupolas including the reconstruction of high level timber cornice with dipping eaves to lead roofs and associated structural timber repairs within cupolas; internal and external stonework repairs to bays; repair and selected replacement of bay window frames and redecoration; remedial works to leadwork capping to roof level pediment and renewal of lime render to rear of parapet to Eastern façade. Burton Constable Foundation, Burton Constable Hall, New Ellerby Road Burton Constable East Riding Of Yorkshire HU11 4LN

Thank you for consulting The Gardens Trust (GT) in its role as Statutory Consultee with regard to any proposed development affecting a site included by Historic England (HE) on their Register of Parks & Gardens (RPG) – Burton Constable 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.

Burton Constable is particularly important; encompassing a medieval settlement and field system (Scheduled Ancient Monument), a wonderful grade I house with several other listed buildings, and park and gardens laid out in c.1769-82 to designs by Lancelot 'Capability' Brown for the noted plant collector William Constable (1721-91). In addition to his work on the Hall in the 1760's, the stables and carriage house (Listed Grade I), c.150m south-east of the Hall, were designed by Thomas Lightoller in 1768.

The excellent accompanying documents explain that for at least 10 years there has been major concerns with the condition of the lead covering to the onion type domes capping the east elevation bay windows. It has not been tackled because whilst inherently a small cost, safe completion of the works will require large and expensive scaffolding. Fortunately, the applicant has been successful in securing funding through the MEND program to complete this work. Whilst the scaffolding is in place it is sensible to also undertake the significant amount of stone and repair and timber window replacements that these features also need.

The GT and YGT have considered the information provided in this consultation and conclude that this is a well-considered proposal that will safeguard the very important heritage asset, Burton Constable

Hall. We confirm that we have no objections to the works proposed and have no further comments to make.

Yours sincerely,

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