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Dear Sir/Madam

**Application number: ZE24/06178/HOUSE Erection of two storey side extension to replace existing single storey extension together with alterations to the existing fenestration. Park House Farm, Park Farm Road, Gilling East, Helmsley, N Yorks YO62 4JA**

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 – Gilling Castle 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.

Gilling Castle has a park with medieval origins and the gardens, largely terraced, probably date from the early 18<sup>th</sup> Century but may also have earlier origins. Gilling Castle (listed grade I) is a 14<sup>th</sup> Century tower house with late 16<sup>th</sup> Century alterations which was extensively remodelled in the early 18<sup>th</sup> Century. There are views over falling land and terraced gardens to the south and east, and over rising parkland beyond.

Park House lies just immediately north of the Registered Park and Garden (RPG) boundary to the north of North Side woodland – the northern boundary plantation of Gilling Castle RPG. The site is within the Howardian Hills AONB.

The large areas of glazing proposed are northward facing so away from the RPG. The proposed south (rear) elevation is not being so dramatically changed, and the topography and established woodland should screen it sufficiently.

We have not noted any mention of the RPG in the Design and Access Statement which we would have expected.

The Gardens Trust and Yorkshire Gardens Trust do not consider that the proposal will harm the RPG and we have no comment to make. This does not in any way signify either our approval or disapproval of the proposals.

Yours sincerely,

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cc. Yorkshire & the North East, Historic England; Kristof Fatsar; conservation @ The Gardens Trust