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Dear Sir/Madam

ZC23/01988/LB Demolition of existing conservatory and replacement with two-storey rear extension, alterations to fenestration. Conversion of garage to form habitable accommodation. The Old Post House, 25 Studley Lane, Studley Roger, Ripon, North Yorkshire HG4 3AY

This planning application has been sent to The Gardens Trust by the staff and volunteers who maintain the Joint Committee of the National Amenity Societies (JCNAS) casework log <https://casework.jcnas.org.uk/>. The Gardens Trust's (GT) role is as Statutory Consultee with regard to any proposed development affecting a site listed by Historic England (HE) on their Register of Parks and Gardens. In this case Studley Royal Park at grade I. 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.

Studley Royal and Fountains Abbey was designated as a World Heritage Site (WHS) in 1986 due to its world importance, combining an early water garden and designed ornamental pleasure grounds with the ruins of a monastic site.

The Old Post Office/Post House in Studley Roger village lies outside the registered boundary of Studley Royal and to the east of Studley Park. The property's west-facing garden is across a field from the registered boundary and thus the property is in the setting.

It is relatively unlikely that the proposal will impact on the significance of the designated heritage assets however we have some concerns regarding the rooflights to the extension due to light spill and whether they are needed as both bedrooms appear to have windows on plan, but a window is not shown on side 01 elevation drawing. We note the large French windows on the west elevation but as the proposed extension is set down then there is unlikely to be any impact. As the garage will be lost, we query where garden equipment etc will be stored.

The Gardens Trust and Yorkshire Gardens Trust have no objection but trust that our concerns will be considered in the determination.

Yours sincerely,

Val Hepworth
Trustee Conservation and Planning

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