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Dear Ms Lamb

**22/00715/FUL Planning application for the temporary siting (two years) of a marquee from April -September on an annual basis to use for a maximum of 12 licenced events within the period. Sutton Park Main Street Sutton On The Forest York. RECONSULTATION.**

Thank you for consulting The Gardens Trust (GT) in its role as Statutory Consultee with regard to any proposed development affecting a site listed by Historic England (HE) on their Register of Parks and Gardens. 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 historic park and garden at Sutton Park are not currently included on the Historic England Register of Parks and Gardens however they are of some significance. Sutton Park is the setting for the Hall (Grade I listed) and its associated stables. The house sits prominently in the landscape and is surrounded by walled gardens, rolling parkland and a shelter belt, in the heart of the village.

We refer you to our letter of 6<sup>th</sup> June but note that this reconsultation is for the temporary siting of a marquee for two years from April to September. As we wrote a 27mx9m white marquee in this location will have some impact on the historic park and garden and its setting and the setting of the Hall even though screened by existing planting, and the existing concrete base in conservation terms is not so easily reversible, we consider that the harm will be limited.

It is unfortunate that the marquee in such a historic setting is proposed to be a bright white and query whether it could be a more subdued colour.

We have not made a site visit and advise that you should seek the view of your specialist conservation advisor and ensure that any granting of permission is reviewed after two years. After any consented period, the site should be returned to its previous condition.

Yours sincerely,

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