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Dear Sir/Madam

**RB2023/0769 External alterations to the drainage system/rain water goods, and replacement of defective flat roof coverings at Clifton Park Museum Clifton Lane Clifton, Clifton Park Museum, Clifton Lane, Clifton, Rotherham S65 2AA.**

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. In this case Clifton Park, Rotherham which is registered 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 park was opened in 1891 and overlies the landscape of Clifton House which was laid out in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century. Two years after the opening of Clifton Park, Clifton House (Listed Grade II\*) designed by John Carr of York, was opened to the public as a museum.

We understand that the proposal for Clifton House/Clifton Park Museum is to make alterations to the existing surface water drainage system to reduce loading onto the internal downpipes/gulley's which have historically overflowed causing water damage to the internal fabric of the building. In order to achieve this, it is proposed to replace sections of the original cast iron guttering with moulded aluminium guttering and create new external downpipes to connect to the existing combined drainage system outside of the building footprint. The proposal also includes for replacement of a defective flat roof covering for a modern equivalent but does not affect any listed elements of the building.

The proposals for Clifton House/Clifton Park Museum should not impact the registered park and garden. The Gardens Trust and Yorkshire Gardens Trust do not wish to comment on the details of the proposals which are beyond our expertise, but we trust that this work will benefit the future of Clifton Park and its Museum.

Yours sincerely,

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