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Dear Sir/Madam

25/00030/LBC Installation of roof mounted 90.2kW solar PV system comprising of 205 x Canadian Solar 440w modules (Listed Building Consent), Pickersgill Home Farm, Kirklees Park, Mill Lane, Clifton, Brighouse, Calderdale HD6 4HD. Also 25/00029/FUL

Thank you for consulting The Gardens Trust (GT) in its role as Statutory Consultee with regard to proposed development Kirklees Park, a site included by Historic England (HE) on their Register of Parks & Gardens, (RPG), as per the above application, 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.

Home Farm lies within Kirklees Park RPG, List Entry No: 1413828 and close to listed properties. There are scheduled monuments within the park – the remains of a medieval nunnery. Kirklees Park, consists of park, pleasure grounds and gardens associated with Kirklees Hall and is also associated with the legend of the death of Robin Hood.

We are pleased to read the detailed Design and Access Statement and note that the modules will have a 3.2mm tempered glass front cover with anti-reflective coating and the fixings will be temporary so that once the PV system is no longer in operation it will be removed immediately. The guaranteed period is 20 years but as there are no moving parts maintenance should be minimal. The roof appears to be quite well screened from the Priory and other heritage assets and should not harm the RPG.

The Gardens Trust and Yorkshire Gardens Trust have no objection to the applications.

Yours sincerely

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