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Dear Sir/Madam

25/04390/LB General Refurbishment of house and alterations to outbuildings, Romany Cottage, Sandsend Bridge to Sandsend Road, The Parade, Sandsend, North Yorkshire, YO21 3SZ. Mulgrave Castle.

Thank you for consulting The Gardens Trust (GT) in its role as Statutory Consultee with regard to any proposed development that could affect a site included by Historic England (HE) on their Register of Parks & Gardens (RPG) – Mulgrave 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.

This response is from the Yorkshire Gardens Trust.

The park of Mulgrave Castle was laid out by the first Earl of Mulgrave in the late 18C and early 19C incorporating proposals made by Humphry Repton (d.1818). The site is made more significant because Repton's Red Book of proposals is still held by the family. The RPG is c.377ha immediately south of the village of Lythe and immediately west of the coastal village of Sandsend where Romany Cottage is located. Romany Cottage is a listed building in the Sandsend Conservation Area and is immediately outside the RPG boundary at its eastern extent. The RPG is not mentioned in the Heritage Statement.

No alterations are proposed to the principal external elevations, roof form or massing of Romany Cottage and should not have any harmful impacts on the RPG. The main external changes are those proposed for the Annexe and Garden Structures that are situated across the shared path from the Cottage. These appear to be sympathetic, but we have not visited the site and suggest that you seek the advice of your Authority's Conservation Officer.

The Yorkshire Gardens Trust does not have any further comments to make. We would however emphasise that this does not in any way signify either our approval or disapproval of the proposals.

Yours sincerely,

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