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Cc Maria Akers
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Dear Mr Daniel

22/01355/FU Provision of new recreational facilities to include cycling and walking routes, a 'learn-to-ride' facility, a play area and improvements to wildlife habitats to site of former golf course Temple Newsam Park Temple Newsam Road Halton

Additional Response Post the Meeting at Temple Newsam 5th April 2023 with yourself (Planning), Emma Trickett and Dave Thorpe, (Parks), Jane Furse and me, (GT/YGT)

This letter is further to our response of 7th March 2023.

We understand from what you explained at our meeting on 5th April that the tree planting proposals are no longer in the planning application. That the removal of the bund is not part of the planning application as you noted that it would require significant tree removal and would not be supported. And that the Conservation Management Plan (CMP) is not a planning document that can be used to inform planning decisions. It has not been adopted.

On the latter we note that the CMP was available in September 2022. We understand from Emma's comment at the meeting, that the Estate Manager does work to ensure all developments at Temple Newsam are in line with the CMP and appropriate for a Grade II Registered Park and Garden. We much support that line.

We are very pleased that the section of cycle path near the possible Tudor Mount has been removed from the proposals. We have also been pleased to have discussions with the Sustrans officers about the proposed Sustrans route from Rothwell to just north of Temple Newsam House.

At the meeting you said that you would look into GT/YGT's request to ensure that the views from the House are kept at least as open as they are now.

As you know Temple Newsam's Grade II registered listing (Register of Historic Parks and Gardens) by Historic England requires statutory planning consideration in the NPPF para 194, 195, 199, 202. We also note 'Significance' in the NPPF. "The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations

because of its heritage interest. That interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage assets physical presence but also from its setting". As such we believe that the heading Parkland within Temple Newsam's Registered Landscape listing which states that, " *There is parkland on all sides of the house,*" i.e. open grazing land with a few trees - needs to be respected and eventually achieved.

Thank you for our meeting last April. We understand the need for Temple Newsam to provide new recreational facilities and despite our reservations about the potential impacts on views we have no objection to this planning application.

Yours sincerely

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