



# Sussex Gardens Trust

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conservation and evolution of  
the local garden heritage

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**PLANNING APPLICATION WSCC/061/19**  
**Restoration of the former Standen Landfill site**

Dear James,

Thank you for consulting the Sussex Gardens Trust and also the Gardens Trust (GT) about the above application. The Gardens Trust is the statutory consultee on matters concerning registered parks and gardens, and is now working closely with County Garden Trusts such as Sussex Gardens Trust (SGT) regarding commenting on planning policy and planning applications.

Representatives of SGT have studied the submitted documents relating to the application. The site is very close to and overlaps very slightly with Standen, which is included on the register of historic parks and gardens maintained by Historic England with a Grade I designation.

We understand application site was supposed to be an inert soils tip and are surprised that the Environment Agency say they have no records. However, if there is now evidence of pollution and landfill gas, these issues need to be dealt with. When completed, the proposals should protect the garden from possible harm. Nevertheless, implementation will involve significant disruption due to movement of HGVs and the Planning Authority should ensure that conditions to any approval ensure the impact on Standen and its many visitors is minimised.

Yours sincerely

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