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8th April, 2020

Dear Sirs

Re DC/19/1588 . Sedgwick Lodge, Sedgwick Park. Application for the erection of mobile stables etc

Sussex Gardens Trust (SGT) is a member of the Gardens Trust (GT) (a national statutory consultee), and works closely with the GT on planning matters; the GT has brought this application to the SGT's attention. The application site lies just within the boundary of Sedgwick Park, a Grade II Registered Park and Garden.

Representatives of SGT have studied the documents submitted with the application and in particular notes the concerns mentioned by the Conservation Officer in an e-mail dated 3rd Sept 2019 in which he advised

"The existing character of this part of the park is open fields and although these structures are not unexpected in the Sussex countryside they are not attractive additions. I am satisfied they add to the accumulative impact of twentieth century development within the historic park, diluting its character and this is exacerbating the harm. The impact on the registered park is a material consideration and together with the harm within the setting of North Lodge I take the view that the structures are inappropriate development without public benefit".

Although an amended site plan was submitted on 24th January 2020, this does not appear to change the harm mentioned by the Conservation Officer and this cannot be validated by a site visit due to the Covid-19 restrictions. In these circumstances Sussex Gardens Trust concurs with the comments of the Conservation Officer.

Yours faithfully
Jim Stockwell.
On behalf of the Sussex Garden Trust.
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