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Dear Sir / Madam,

TWO-STOREY EXTENSION - 19 WHITEHURST GARDENS CHIRK WREXHAM

Thank you for your letter inviting our comments on the planning application for the proposed development as described above.

Our role as a consultee in the planning process is to provide the local planning authority with an assessment concerned with the likely impact that the proposal will have on scheduled monuments or registered historic parks and gardens. It is a matter for the local planning authority to then weigh our assessment against all the other material considerations in determining whether to approve planning permission, including issues concerned with listed buildings and conservation areas.

The proposal is located within the essential setting of the world heritage site and scheduled ancient monument known as WHS6: Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and Canal, and also located within the grade II* registered historic park and garden at Whitehurst.

This application is for a two storey extension to an existing semi-detached 20th century colliery house within the boundary of the Whitehurst Gardens, an enclosed 17th Century formal garden associated with the Chirk Castle estate. According to the classifications set out in the joint Supplementary Planning Document for the World Heritage Site (February 2011) this can be considered either a type 3 small -scale development within a rural area of the buffer zone.

The proposed extension will almost double the size of the building but will be of a similar character and comparable to extensions to a further group of Coal Board houses within the historic perimeter of the gardens to the north. This end of the formal garden is in a basin, away from any of the surviving period structures and terraces other than the perimeter wall. The proposed works will not in our view affect the character of this area of the gardens, which has been heavily landscaped and set aside for modern housing, and forms an enclave barely inter-visible with the edge of the world heritage site buffer zone beyond. It is therefore unlikely to affect any sense

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of place or sense of arrival to the world heritage site or have an adverse impact on the registered park and garden. .

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nichola Davies', with a stylized, cursive script.

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