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Dear Mr Neave

**T&CP (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015
& Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990**

**EVERGREEN FARM, WEST HOATHLY ROAD, EAST GRINSTEAD, RH19 4NE
Application No. WSCC/004/20**

Thank you for your letter of 4 February 2020 regarding the above application for planning permission. On the basis of the information available to date, we offer the following advice to assist your authority in determining the application.

Historic England Advice

Historic England previously raised concerns in our letter of 24 February 2020 regarding the proposals on heritage grounds. The proposals at the time would have involved 80 weeks of HGV movements across the narrow lane leading to Standen. This would have caused some harm to the significance of the Grade I house and to the Grade II RPG. Our greatest concern was the potential impact of the development on the economic viability of Standen and thus also on its future conservation as noted in the National Trust's letter dated 13 September 2019.

We note that the proposed access to the site from West Hoathly Lane has now been altered. It would now use the access road north east of the lane used to access Standen House. We are pleased that the access has been altered so as to limit the impact to Standen House. We no longer have concerns regarding this application as it stands.

Recommendation

Historic England has no objection to the application on heritage grounds. In determining this application you should bear in mind the statutory duty of section 66(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 to have special regard to the desirability of preserving listed buildings or their setting or any



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features of special architectural or historic interest which they possess.

Your authority should take these representations into account in determining the application. If there are any material changes to the proposals, or you would like further advice, please contact us. Please advise us of the decision in due course.

Yours sincerely

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