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To whom it may concern:

Thank you for consulting Historic England on the submission version of the Compton Neighbourhood Plan. Historic England is the government's advisor on planning for the historic environment, including the conservation of heritage assets and champions good design in historic places. As such we limit our review to those areas that fall within our remit and silence on other matters should not be treated as approval or consent.

We are pleased to see that several of our recommendations with regard to the historic environment at the pre-submission stage have been incorporated into the submission version, including a clear objective for the historic environment and inclusion of archaeological remains in the review of the parish's heritage assets. We do feel it would contribute to the completeness of the evidence base if the scheduled ancient monument of Perborough Castle were included on the map of heritage assets on Page 62.

Whilst they have not been identified as heritage assets we are interested that the plan requires retention and reuse of buildings of the former hostel, which lie outside the adopted SPD boundary. We support the reuse of existing buildings, rather than demolition, particularly where they are of robust construction and have a quality of design that creates a strong sense of place and a record of the area's past development and identity. We see this as an important aspect of sustainable development by retaining the carbon embodied in the building materials, their transport and construction of the buildings. As such we are pleased to support Policy C6.

We hope these comments are of assistance to the examiner but would be pleased to answer any questions that may arise from them

Yours sincerely

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