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The documentary and archaeological research carried out by English Heritage and submitted in support of their planning application supports and amplifies that brief description, and English Heritage have been conscientious in presenting their proposals and consulting locally and in responding to representations. It is extremely regrettable that a small and unrepresentative minority of local malcontents have not displayed a commensurate balance and consideration and have, at worst, remained shrill and wrong-headed in opposing a scheme that promises to rejuvenate and bring a new audience to a site that has suffered from underinvestment for decades. The scheme now under consideration will provide, for the first time in many years, an appropriate setting for one of the finest and earliest of the second generation of Palladian villas in this country, and I urge your Council to grant consent for the scheme.

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