

## **STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND BETWEEN KIRKLEES COUNCIL AND HISTORIC ENGLAND**

### **SITE E2333a**

This statement formalises the common ground established between Kirklees Council and Historic England on matters relating to the soundness of Site Allocation E2333a (Land to the east of, Park Mill, Wakefield Road, Clayton West, Huddersfield). This statement is further evidence of the extensive engagement and co-operation that has taken place between Kirklees Council and Historic England throughout the Local Plan preparation process.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The development of E2333a has the potential to affect the significance of the Grade II Registered Historic Park and Garden at Bretton Hall and designated heritage assets within it. These include the Grade II\* Listed Bretton Hall and the Grade II Listed Cascade Bridge.

On 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018 Historic England responded to the Kirklees Local Plan Inspector's Matters, Issues and Questions (specifically Matter 27) to formally raise their concerns with respect to the allocation of E2333a.

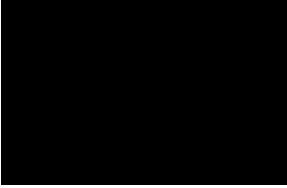
Within their Matter 27 submission, Historic England acknowledged the points which are outlined below (under common ground).

**It is within this context that Kirklees Council have engaged constructively with Historic England through the Duty to cooperate process to agree the details of completed HIA work, the position of both parties with respect to likely effects/outcomes, and to establish the following statements as common ground:**

#### **COMMON GROUND**

- The development of Site E2333a will not affect the significance of the principal building in the Park (the Grade II\* Listed Bretton Hall)
- Development on Site E2333a will not be visible from the centre of the Park.
- The report (entitled 'Land off Wakefield Road Landscape Statement - Issue 10) provides an excellent evaluation of the extent to which development on E2333a might be visible from the designated Park and Garden.
- The development of E2333a is unlikely to harm the significance of the Grade II\* Listed Bretton Hall or views across the Upper Lake from the Grade II Listed Cascade Bridge.
- E2333a will lead to less than substantial harm to the significance of other designated heritage assets.
- **E2333a can be delivered in a manner which minimises harm to Bretton Hall and the Cascade Bridge.**
- **Historic England is not recommending that E2333a be deleted.**

**Signed:**



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**Signed:**



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