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Your Ref: PTLS/P&C/14-01

Mr Brian Gates Chief Planner (Policy) Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council Policy and conservation Gibson Building, Gibson Drive Kings Hill, West Malling Kent ME19 4LZ

Dear Mr Gates

Re: Quarry Hill Conservation Area Appraisal Subs Area C Brook Street

Thank you for inviting my comments on this appraisal in which I was pleased to participate in the initial consultation with the local residents and interested parties. The document seems a good reflection of the discussions that took place at the time. As Headmaster of The Judd School I have a number of comments to make.

The proposal to enlarge the conservation area to include the whole of The Judd School playing fields does give me some cause for concern.

- 1. Swimming pool and CCF huts (not currently within Conservation Area) This part of the school behind main buildings and adjacent to Tulip Tree Close and running down to Lionel Road is not of the same character as the rest of the school and is an area that we would wish to develop in future. It is my recommendation that either this area is removed from the proposed extension or that a particular note is made in regard to the fact that further development of the school for the benefit of students is necessary. To that you may add that the Governing Body of The Judd School is committed to maintaining and enhancing the school as a focal point of the conservation area.
- 2. Old cricket pavilion site (not currently within Conservation Area)
  To the west of the sports hall car park is an area of scrub that hides the foundations of the cricket pavilion that burned down 20 years ago. It is the school's intention to place new changing rooms here at some point in the ROBERT MASTERS B.Sc.





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email: headmaster@judd.kent.sch.uk website: www.judd.kent.sch.uk future. The conservation area has made particular note of long views of the green sand ridge and we would want it understood at this stage that a replacement building of the same height of the original cricket pavilion is something that we wish to put in place. Perhaps this should be marked on the plan of the school area.

## 3. The management proposal for additional tree and hedge planting on The Judd School boundaries

We would be pleased to take these forward but would not anticipate paying for the improvement/s suggested. These are primarily to do with hedge and tree planting around our tennis courts, all weather pitch and boundary with Birdcage Walk.

Should anyone wish to discuss this with me please do call my PA on 01732 373550

Yours sincerely

Headmaster