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Dear Ms Curtis,

Compton Cemetery, Down Lane, Compton, Guildford, Surrey – Awarded Registered Park and Garden Status

As you will know from our earlier letters we have been considering adding the above site to the Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in England.

We have taken into account all the representations made, and completed our assessment of the site. I am pleased to inform you that English Heritage has decided to add Compton Cemetery to the Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in England. The site is now listed at Grade II*.

I attach a copy of our advice report, which gives the principal reasons for this decision. The Register entry for this site, together with a map, has now been published on the National Heritage List for England, and will be available for public access from tomorrow. This List can be accessed through our website.

The Register in itself entails no additional statutory controls. The historic interest of a park or garden is, however, established as a material planning consideration, and the Register provides the key means by which sites of special historic interest are identified. It draws attention to the fact that the sites included should receive special consideration if changes or proposals for development are being contemplated.

Local authorities are required to consult English Heritage over any planning applications they receive which may affect sites graded I or II* on the Register. They are also directed to consult the Garden History Society on applications which may affect any site on the Register regardless of grade. Additionally, the Register is used by many local planning authorities as the basis for relevant conservation policies in statutory development plans.

Any queries about the registration of the site should be addressed to this office. If you have any enquires concerning planning related matters or would like advice on management issues, please contact our Regional Landscape Architect, Kay Richardson on 01483 252000.

It is made clear in the Register that the parks and gardens listed are not open to the public unless they are separately advertised.



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Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any further assistance. More information can also be found on our website at www.english-heritage.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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