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Dear Mr Lewis.

I wish to take issue with the comments at 1.3.4 in AHL's additional submission of June 2024 where they under-play the historic significance of both Huntington and Turret Castles. Just because there are no associated information panels at either site explaining their origins, who the holders/builders were or what date range they belonged to, does'nt mean they are not valued. The Kington Walking Festival programme over the years has often included the Huntington castles in the programme.

I also take issue with 1.3.18 "The ability for visitors to visit and appreciate the significance of Huntington Castle will not be compromised by the additional polytunnels". Guests to our self-catering unit frequently say how amazed and shocked they are by the extent of the polytunnels around the village. This must be in their minds as they visit the historic assets and it can only detract from their enjoyment of them. So any further increase can only add to the adverse impact.

Lastly, the statement in 2.1.1 that the proposed development would result in a slight adverse impact on the visual amenity of the landscape around Turret Castle and Huntington Castle, cannot go unchallenged. There is a major negative from the existing polytunnels. They are a scar on the landscape, a homogenous mass, out of character and detract from the enjoyment of the countryside locally and are clearly visually intrusive from long distances. The addition of more will obviously worsen the impact.

Yours sincerely

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