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Dear Susie

Thank you for consulting with the Greenkeepers Training Committee in relation to City & Guilds looking to develop a new qualification for the Horticulture, Landscaping and Sports Turf sector.

The GTC is the independent organisation representing British golf club employers and greenkeepers.

The GTC has, for many years, looked to help develop, maintain and monitor the standards of education, training, qualifications and apprenticeships available for this specialist sector.

The GTC would like to offer support for the following qualification:

City & Guilds Level 2 Technical Certificate in Horticulture (0174-20)

We feel that the above qualification is suitable for young people between the ages of 16-19 studying in full time education in a College setting. It could be an advantage to them whilst seeking employment in the industry as a Golf Greenkeeper.

The skills that are relevant to this job role, and which are included in the qualification, are:

- Health & safety for land-based industries
- Working in the horticulture industry
- Plant naming, identification, selection and science
- Preparation, planting and maintenance of plants
- Care, maintenance and use of tools, equipment and machinery
- Horticulture business skills
- Commercial gardening and landscaping
- Sports turf technology
- Developing hard landscapes
- Production techniques in horticulture

GTC confirms that we consent to this letter being available on the City & Guilds website.

Yours sincerely

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