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Harbinger has been given the green light to lock horns with Derby-winning stablemate Workforce in next month's King George VI And Queen Elizabeth Stakes.

Sir Michael Stoute's colt, owned by Highclere Thoroughbred Racing, turned in a hugely impressive display in last weekend's Hardwicke Stakes at Royal Ascot and will now return to the Berkshire track for his first Group One assignment on July 24.

Speaking on www.highclere.co.uk, Stoute said: "He has come out of last week's race in good form and cantered (on Thursday morning). He deserves to take his chance and, as we saw on Saturday, he was well-suited to Ascot's galloping track."

Highclere's racing manager Harry Herbert added: "We are all thrilled that Sir Michael is keen to run Harbinger in the King George and what a race it promises to be, especially taking on such an impressive Derby winner in Workforce.

"This will be Highclere's first runner in the race and all of our owners could not be more excited at the prospect."

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