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Removal and replacement of all existing windows and doors to front, rear and side elevations from double glazed timber to UPVC windows & doors to match the existing in profile & pattern.

The property is a block of flats within the Conservation Area, and fronts directly on to West Street. The size of building means that it plays a significant role in the street-scene, and any alteration to it should be carefully considered.

Normally within Conservation Areas we try to support the use of traditional materials, such as wood, as this respects the character of the area and the buildings within them. This is especially true of those windows which face on to the public realm. As a consequence, any new windows should reflect the appearance/materials of those currently installed in the building.

It is considered that based on the information provided, that the windows proposed to be used appear to reflect the general appearance of those currently present within the building.

Whilst an explanation has been provided as part of the application, it is not considered that it adequately justifies why the existing windows cannot be replaced on a like for like basis. As a consequence, my preferred approach would be to use traditional materials to the public facing elevations of the property.

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