

Heritage statement — 16 William Street, Gravesend, Kent DA12 1HD

The heritage statement has been requested by the Gravesham borough council as a part of planning application for replacement of two windows in above property.

16 William Street is a two-bed property. This house is an end of terrace which is in-line to three other property's on William Street. The house consists of two sash windows. The two windows are facing on to William street in Da12 1HD area, this house resides within the conservation area and so the impact of any change to the property must be assessed with regarding new installation of windows.

Proposal for new windows

The replacement of single glazed windows should not constitute development. The 'like for like' upgrade will replace the windows with the same shape, size and design. No additional windows will be added or removed. UPVC wood effect window have already been installed to replace current rotten, over painted windows that couldn't be opened. Visually the character of the house has remained unaffected.

Double glazing is necessary for an environmental standpoint with regards to the energy use. Climate change is an ongoing consideration which should be at the forefront of all works and introduction of double glazing will greatly reduce energy usage within the property during the winter months.

Double glazing appears to be commonly installed in conservation area now. There are few members in the street who installed double glazing following permission granted by the Gravesham Borough council.

For these reasons, I believe, there will be beneficial impact on the character of the area due to the upgrade of the windows.

See attached picture of old & new sash windows

Thanking you

Yours faithfully,

Mr John Mason &

Miss Terri Martin