Statement for Planning Application:

I am writing to support the inclusion of timber effect double glazing as part of the proposed renovations to 25 west street (Wilton) a Grade II listed property located within the conservation area. It is my belief that this addition would not be detrimental to the historical significance of the building and, in fact, presents several benefits both aesthetically and functionally.

As you will have seen from the photographs attached the building had undergone extensive redesign before the listing status was granted, therefore whilst I appreciate that status, I would hope that a pragmatic approach was applied to this planning application given the current appearance of the building.

1. Preservation of Historical Character: Timber effect double glazing closely mimics the appearance of traditional timber windows, preserving the historic character and architectural integrity of the building. The sympathetic design ensures that the visual impact on the external facade remains consistent with the original features of the property.

2. Enhanced Energy Efficiency: The installation of modern double glazing with timber effect frames will significantly improve the energy efficiency of the building. This upgrade is essential for reducing heat loss, improving thermal comfort, and minimizing carbon emissions, aligning with the principles of sustainable development and environmental conservation.

3. Noise Reduction: Timber effect double glazing provides effective sound insulation, reducing noise pollution from external sources such as traffic or pedestrians. This improvement in acoustic performance enhances the quality of life for occupants and contributes to the overall enjoyment of the property.

4. Longevity and Low Maintenance: Unlike traditional timber windows, timber effect double glazing requires minimal upkeep and is highly durable. The materials used are resistant to rot, decay, and warping, ensuring longevity and reducing the need for frequent maintenance or replacement.

5. Compliance with Building Regulations: The proposed timber effect double glazing meets all relevant building regulations and standards for thermal performance, safety, and security. Its installation would not compromise the structural integrity or safety of the building.

In conclusion, the use of timber effect double glazing in 25 west street offers a pragmatic solution to modernize the property while respecting its historical significance. The benefits outlined above demonstrate that this addition would not be detrimental to the Grade II listed status or the

character of the conservation area. On the contrary, it represents a balanced approach that promotes sustainability, energy efficiency, and the long-term preservation of our cultural heritage.

I respectfully request that the planning authority considers this statement in support of the proposed renovations.

The proposed design/manufacture of the windows would be by this company:

https://www.liniar.co.uk/upvc-windows/flush-sash/

The bedroom sash window would be by this company:

https://www.spectus.co.uk/trade/products/mechanically-jointed-vertical-slider/