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Address of Development: 93-97 Lowergate, Clitheroe

Comments: I submit comments on behalf of [REDACTED]
Extensive use of uPVC on this key building in the Conservation Area is not desirable. Whilst [REDACTED] completely understand the desire to improve the building, which should be commended, appropriate materials and retention of as much historic fabric as possible should be achieved in place of the mass replacement of wooden windows. Whilst uPVC is relatively maintenance free for a number of years, properly maintained wooden windows will last for hundreds of years.
The impact of uPVC en masse at this site will a) not contribute positively to the conservation area but detract from it and b) change the character of the conservation area at this location.
Extensive use of uPVC will also set a precedent which would not be welcome. Whilst a number of properties in the conservation area have made use of uPVC, none have done so on such a scale as these proposals.
[REDACTED] fully appreciate the applicants' charitable status and applaud the effort to improve the building which is very welcome, however, appropriate materials must be used in this historic building occupying a key site in the conservation area.