HERITAGE STATEMENT

This Heritage Statement is prepared for the Installation of Hardwood Timber windows and doors to the Front elevation of The Almshouses, Church Road, Thornton in Craven BD23 3TR

The Almshouses are Grade II listed, within the Parish of Thornton in Craven

Constructed in 1815. Squared dressed stone, stone slate roof. One storey. 11 bay symmetrical composition, alternating doors of six raised and fielded panels with windows in plain stone surrounds, sashes with all glazing bars. Rusticated quoins to ends and the central three bays, which are pedimented. The pediment carries an oval cartouche inscribed "1815. These Almshouses for five poor women were erected and endowed pursuant to the desire of Joseph Smith late of the City of LONDON Banker, a native of this parish out of the residuary estate of Rachel Smith his widow". Six stacks.

The Alsmhouses are managed and administered by The Smith and Crowther Almshouses Charity (Charity number 22377) by voluntary Trustees.

Background

The existing timber windows and doors are in a poor state of repair and replacement is proposed with six new hardwood spiral balance sliding sash double glazed windows with glazing bars, and five new raised fielded and panelled doors set within new hardwood timber frame. All will be factory finished painted to a heritage colour to match the existing windows and doors.

The new windows and doors will be re-fitted with the existing hardware where they can be or new to match, with new Secure by Design approved locks to improve security and energy efficiency

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Existing Door and Windows, replacement will match

Details of the new windows and doors are covered on drawing numbers 1322/4 & 5