

# **Heritage Statement**

Project: Proposed alterations to 5-7 Gill Birks, Wilshaw

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## **Introduction**

The proposals set forth in this modified proposal are for the extension of 5-7 Gill Birks, part of which is a grade II listed building.

## **Assessment of Significance.**

The application relates to 5-7 Gill Birks that comprises a former farmhouse and adjacent barn now interconnected to form one dwelling. The former farmhouse referred to in the listing 1313690 is the portion that is grade II listed, whilst the adjacent barn, specifically referred to in the listing description, is not included in the listing.

## **Heritage Impact Assessment.**

The proposals within this application are such that they are entirely limited to the barn section of the building. Therefore, the impact is limited to the effect on the setting of a listed building and is not directly impacting the fabric of a listed building.

This application only differs from the previous planning approvals 2019/62/90738/W and 2019/65/90739/W in the following ways:

1. The addition of a stone slate roof with an exposed oak King post to the gable end above the previously approved terrace serving the master bedroom. The Oak beams will be left to age naturally.
2. There is additional clear glazing at each side of the terrace to provide shelter and increase the usability of the terrace.
3. The previously approved wooden cladding to the walls below the terrace is now replaced by reclaimed coursed natural stone to match the host building.

These changes will produce a more traditional look but the extension can still be clearly identified because of its narrower width and the extra glazing around the extension. None of these alterations adversely affect the setting of the listing and the overall impact should, in fact, be a significant improvement.

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