Consultation Response from KC, Conservation & Design
2024/92090 Marsden Mechanics, Peel Street, Marsden, Huddersfield, HD7 6BW
Listed Building Consent for Installation of two high level windows in the east elevation (Listed Building within a Conservation Area)
Date Responded: 27.8.2024 **Responding Officer: Sue Brooks** **Responding Ref: CV 14/365**

The response below should be read in conjunction with the associated planning application 2024/92089.

The application proposes the installation of two windows in the east elevation of the building to provide natural light into the ground floor office. This elevation faces the adjacent Marsden Infant and Nursery School and is constructed from coursed hammer dressed stone with very little architectural detailing. The office is situated towards the rear (south) of the elevation where visibility from wider aspects is limited.

The proposed windows have been amended from triple-glazed alu-clad windows with opaque glazing to double glazed timber framed set into new openings with external stone lintels and cills.

As the proposed windows are in traditional materials and set into stone surrounds and are in an area of low significance at the rear of the building, the level of harm to the significance of the listed building is low. The public benefits or providing natural light into the office of this community building, reducing energy consumption and costs slightly, are considered to outweigh the slight harm.

The Conservation and Design Team has no objections to this proposal and would recommend that the following conditions are applied:

- The heads and cills for both new openings shall be in tooled natural stone and shall replicate the heads and cills of the existing external ground floor windows on the south elevation in terms of stone type, material, colour, size, tooling and section. Jambs shall be finished in hammer dressed coursed stone to match the existing wall and cut faces shall not remain visible.
  Reason: In the interest of preserving the historic and architectural interest of the heritage asset pursuant to the requirements of Section 16 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

- New windows shall be timber framed with double-glazed units, and the obscured glazing shall have a plain etched finish and not be in patterned glass. Visible trickle vents shall not be permitted, and the windows shall be set into the reveals by 125mm.
  Reason: In the interest of preserving the historic and architectural interest of the heritage asset pursuant to the requirements of Section 16 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.