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To whom it may concern,
My name is Christopher Warren Brand , I reside at number 31 west street crowland and have recently changed the wooden windows to upvc. The existing windows were of wooden construction and were in a state of disrepair when I purchased the property both aesthetically and safety/security wise. I made the decision to change them to upvc for a number of reasons, the environmental impact being one of them, low maintenance primarily, heat and sound loss being an important element, wood however good these days doesent provide the same level of heat and sound loss.
Although the windows I have replaced were not the original items (the date of the property leans towards, Georgian box sash/Victorian equivalent, at some point possibly 25/30 years ago they were replaced with casement style windows in a crucible design) I chose to follow the existing design to lessen the impact. I am an nvq lvl3 technical surveyor for the largest window company in the country and used my experience and knowledge to design the new windows, I must add I love timber frames but I am fully aware that the timber we have access to today is absolutely nothing like the timber we had available 100 years ago, and also aware that the ratings in heat and sound loss don't compare to modern equivalents.
I followed the existing designs to the millimetre, and am very pleased with the results, I chose a cream woodgrain effect at extra cost, false mullions again at additional cost, were put in place again to copy the existing designs but with the added safety of toughened glass and restrictive hinges where needed. The install is fensa backed and ticks all the correct boxes, numerous people have commented on how much better they look now and im very pleased with the finished job. I understand the original query was brought about by a complaint, im curious to the source of this complaint and believe it may have been brought about by a number of possible reasons the first is the extended length of time the scaffolding was on site (due to some manufacturing issues I wasn't happy with) the second is a number of disgruntled people from the past, but I can say all the people that have commented and their has been a few have been positive as im sure if you visited the site you would agree.
To my knowledge and I would have to check there is 34 properties in this conservation area 1 of which is listed, and 2 others still have timber frames I know both of the people with timber franes and both will not replace due to cost, the rest have upvc, so I really cannot see any issue, I have enhanced the look of the property (not in a modernising way) and have massively decreased my impact on the environment.

I hope this is enough information for you to consider, I will forward the before and after photos in a separate pdf file, I welcome any visit and im sure you will agree that they are an improvement, tastefully, to the property,
Kind regards Christopher Warren Brand.