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Description: Design and Access Statement for Casement Windows for Sherwood House, Robin Hoods Bay.

The existing windows were installed in the 1990s, in accordance with the then planning requirements. They have now decayed to the point that they must be replaced.

I have worked closely with NY Moors National Park Authority Planning Dept (Edward Freedman) to ensure that they meet the current planning requirements, and in particular that they are in keeping with the surrounding streetscape in Robin Hoods Bay. I understand that Robin Hoods Bay would traditionally have seen the use of casement windows rather sash windows in such locations (dormers) and many of these are still in evidence. These proposed windows are casement and I have worked closely with both Edward and my contractor (Birch Joinery, Whitby) to amend their design to match the traditional appearance as closely as possible, whilst maintaining some of the benefits of modern construction, including:

- Minimising the depth of the double-glazing units to '4-6-4' and ensuring the spacers are black to 'hide' them as best as possible.
- Disguising the windows 'stormproof' design to look like rebated casement windows by including latts (fillets) of timber on either side of the windows (with a minimum gap between the latts and the window itself) and minimising the chamfer at the edges.
- Making the wooden 'surrounds' to each pane of glass uniform (the lower ones in the standard design protrude to force water to drip away from the glass).
- An agreed number of panes in each window.

There will be no other internal alterations.

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