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Dear Brian,

Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Church Lane, Thornhill

Thank you for consulting us on the proposal to introduce a replica East Window to the Savile Chapel, to be based on the tracings made during 1877-79 by Burlison and Grylls.

I confirm that English Heritage have been closely involved with the extensive programme of research, investigations and consultations coordinated by J and R. Cooke, which sought to identify the most appropriate means of conserving the East Window. That research concluded that most of the original glass surface and its artwork have been irretrievably lost, that the glazing was liable to deteriorate rapidly, that the retention of the glazing in place was not a viable option, and that the preferred means of conservation was by removal to an environmentally controlled location within the Church.

Further consultations undertaken by J and R Cooke and by English Heritage have concluded that the preferred replacement glazing should be a reproduction of the original glazing, based on the tracings made between 1877-79 by Burlison and Grylls.

I therefore confirm that English Heritage support the proposal.

Yours sincerely,

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