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Mr Ross Anthony,

You have been sent this email because you or somebody else has submitted a comment on a Planning Application to your local authority using your email address. A summary of your comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 4:33 AM on 14 Dec 2017 from Mr Ross Anthony.

Application Summary

Address: 64 New Row Dunfermline Fife KY12 7EF
Change of use from retail (Class 1) to theatre stage
Proposal: school with break out area and external alterations
including extension to building
Case Officer: David Shankland
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Customer Details

Name: Mr Ross Anthony
Email: planning@theatrust.org.uk
Address: Theatres Trust, 22 Charing Cross Road, London WC2H 0QL

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Other
Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:
Comments: I write to support the above planning application to create a theatre school with ancillary studio theatre use.

Remit: The Theatres Trust is The National Advisory Public Body for Theatres, safeguarding theatre use or the potential for such use. Established by The Theatres Trust Act 1976, the Trust delivers statutory planning advice on theatre buildings and theatre use through The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulation 2013, requiring the Trust to be consulted on planning applications 'involving any land on which there is a theatre.'

Comment: The Theatres Trust supports this application as it will expand and enhance the opportunities to participate and engage with theatre and the arts and contribute to the cultural well being of the local community. While the primary use is a theatre school, we note there will be some ancillary use for small scale studio theatre, and have

the following concerns which need to be addressed.

No details about the potential noise emissions from the usual operation of the school have been provided, nor have any noise mitigation measures been outlined on the plans. To safeguard the operation of the school in the future, we would recommend a noise assessment is submitted to assess this, or is included as a condition of consent.

We are also concerned about the lack of changing facilities, though depending on the nature of the school, we acknowledge this may not be necessary. Child safety regulations require the provision of separate changing facilities, and the showers indicated on the plans do not appear to be large enough to satisfy this requirement. We recommend reconfiguring/ relocating the showers/ cleaners room to provide two separate and appropriate changing spaces.

Overall, we support this proposal, and once the above issues are addressed, we would recommend granting planning permission.

Ross Anthony
Planning Consultant

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