

# Protecting theatres for **everyone**



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**Application:** PA18/06569

**Site:** Falmouth Arts Centre 24 Church Street Falmouth TR11 3EG

**Proposal:** Listed Building Consent: Fixing of Blue Plaque commemorating the founders of the Poly, the Fox sisters.

## **Remit:**

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## **Comment:**

This application has come to the Trust's attention as it relates to a theatre, known as 'The Poly'.

The proposal seeks to install a blue plaque on the front (east) elevation of the building which commemorates the founders of The Poly. We do not consider the plaque to detract from the character and appearance of the building as a Grade II\* asset of significant heritage value for Falmouth, and actually creates a new point of interest within the town. Neither will it have any detrimental impact on the function of the building.

We therefore **support** this proposal and **recommend the granting of listed building consent**.

Please contact us if we may be of further assistance or if you wish to discuss these comments further.

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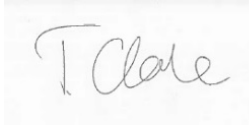
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Tom Clarke  
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