

# Protecting theatres for everyone



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**Applications:** 2019/0089/LBC

**Site:** New Theatre Royal And 13-15 Clasketgate Lincoln Lincolnshire LN2 1JJ

**Proposal:** Alterations to Ticket Office area including internal remodelling (resubmission of 2018/0751/LBC to amend the design solution) (Listed Building Consent).

## Remit:

The Theatres Trust is the national advisory public body for theatres. We were established through the Theatres Trust Act 1976 'to promote the better protection of theatres' and provide statutory planning advice on theatre buildings and theatre use in England through The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015, requiring the Trust to be consulted by local authorities on planning applications which include 'development involving any land on which there is a theatre'.

## Comment:

Thank you for consulting Theatres Trust on the above application for listed building consent, which is necessary due to amendments compared to the scheme previously permitted (2018/0751/LBC) and supported by the Trust.

The revised plans appear to show the new opening between the confectionary kiosk and the server counter will not go ahead and the foyer will be further opened through the removal of existing steps and the loss of the previously proposed glass balustrade.

We consider that this proposal will further enhance accessibility and movement through the theatre, better achieving the objectives desired. The accompanying Heritage Statement/Design & Access Statement does not appear to describe the significance (if any) of the existing steps that are to be removed other than to say within a general statement that the works will not have a detrimental impact on the building. Assuming this is indeed the case, we again recommend the granting of listed building consent and continue to support the overall enhancement of the theatre.

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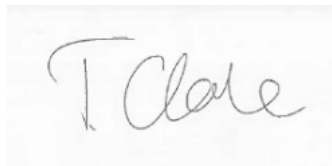
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The Theatres Trust Charitable Fund co-operates with Theatres Trust, has the same Trustees and is registered as a charity under number 274697

Please contact us if we may be of further assistance.

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