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Application: 19/00344/LBC

Site: University Of Sheffield Theatre Workshop Shearwood Road Sheffield S10 2TD

Proposal: Replacement of external access door

Remit:

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Comment:

The Trust is supportive of efforts by theatre owners and operators to improve the accessibility and efficiency of their buildings.

We note the existing access door must be held open. This proposal would see it replaced with a new outward-opening door necessitating a new frame and potentially additional fixings. We do not consider these interventions to be detrimental to the building's appearance and there would be relatively negligible harm to the historic fabric. The new door and frame will match the appearance of those existing. We therefore **recommend the granting of listed building consent.**

Please contact us if we may be of further assistance.

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