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Application: 2019/0804/L

Site: Phoenix Theatre, 112 Charing Cross Road, London, WC2H 0JP

Proposal: Gll - Works to upgrade current washroom facilities at Dress Circle level. This includes replacement of washroom finishes; sanitary ware, floor finish and decoration.

Remit:

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Comment:

Thank you for consulting the Trust regarding the above application for listed building consent at Phoenix Theatre, which is seeking internal alterations within the female Dress Circle washrooms to refurbish and add two additional cubicles.

Insufficient toilet provision to meet the needs of audiences is a common challenge within a number of historic theatres. We are therefore supportive of efforts by theatre owners and operators to improve provision and welcome this proposal, particularly as baby changing facilities and an ambulant cubicle will be provided by these works.

We concur with the applicant's supporting information in that the works will not impact on the

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historic fabric of the theatre. We therefore **recommend the granting of listed building consent**.

Please contact us if we may be of further assistance.

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