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Application: 64125

Site: The Met, Market Street, Bury, BL9 0BW

Proposal: Listed building consent for the installation of a disabled lift/enclosure to raised platform within main auditorium (first floor)

Remit:

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Comment:

The Trust is supportive of this application, which would improve disabled accessibility within the main auditorium through the installation of a lift to the raised platform with the main auditorium.

The platform was installed as part of refurbishment works in 2017. The installation of the lift would not compromise any decorative features or other historic fabric. Therefore we **recommend the granting of listed building consent.**

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