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Application: 20/02607/PLB

Site: East Riding Theatre 10 Lord Roberts Road Beverley East Riding Of Yorkshire HU17 9BE

Proposal: Affix printed aluminium painting adjacent to side entrance in connection with the Elwell Trail.

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:

This application for listed building consent has come to the attention of the Trust because it seeks to install a painting to the front elevation of the East Riding Theatre.

The theatre is a statutory Grade II listed heritage and important cultural asset for Beverley which sits within the Beverley Conservation Area. This proposal would result in a reproduction of a work by notable oil painter Frederick Elwell being affixed to the theatre. This would be part of an 'Elwell Trail' to mark the 150th anniversary of his birth.

We are supportive of this proposal, which serves as a reminder of the artist's links with the town and of Beverley's cultural heritage. It can be considered to positively contribute to the character of the building and its wider setting within the Conservation Area, and would help draw people towards the theatre. We would however concur with the comments of the Council's Conservation Officer that fixings are made into mortar beds so as to not cause harm to the building's fabric.

Therefore we are supportive of the granting of listed building consent.

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Please contact us should you wish to discuss these comments in further detail.

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