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**Application:** 22/03208/LBC

**Site:** Palace Theatre 109 - 113 Shaftesbury Avenue London W1D 5AY

**Proposal:** Internal alterations to existing wig store located on fifth floor level.

## **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 regarding this application for listed building consent at the Palace Theatre which seeks internal alterations within a back of house area to the fifth floor to

Architecturally this area is of lesser significance, being functional in its layout and decoration and currently utilised as dressing rooms, wardrobe, wig room, administrative and storage. This proposal will see alteration and sub-division to create additional dressing rooms which are needed to support the Palace's current show. It will therefore improve the function and operation of the theatre without compromising its significance as a designated heritage asset or harming sensitive fabric and features.

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

Please contact us if we may be of further assistance or should you wish to discuss these comments further.

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