

Protecting theatres for everyone



Ref.: TC/1173

19 August 2022

Julie Wilkins
Directorate of Development, Planning Division
Isle of Wight Council
Seaclose Offices
Fairlee Road
Newport
Isle of Wight
PO30 2QS

By e-mail: development@iow.gov.uk

Application: 22/00786/LBC

Site: Shanklin Theatre Steephill Road Shanklin Isle Of Wight PO37 6AJ

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for renovation of disused public toilets in basement to include creation of two new openings to access existing passageway adjacent to bar, install lintels above openings, block up old external door, repair all walls and floor and new stud walls to form cubicles

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 re-consulting Theatres Trust regarding this application following submission of additional documents. We previously submitted comments supporting the project and the principle of listed building consent but noted a lack of information had been provided including no proposed plans. A proposed basement plan and plan focussed on the WC area has now been provided along with a slightly amended Heritage Statement and Design and Access Statement.

The plans show the WCs will be accessed through an existing void and one of the existing WCs through which new openings will be created. There will be alteration to the layout within the WCs which will offset the lost WC and provide one additional compared to what is currently there. The four additional WCs coming into the theatre will offer a substantial uplift in provision which will

Theatres Trust

22 Charing Cross Road, London WC2H 0QL
T 020 7836 8591 E info@theatrestrust.org.uk W theatrestrust.org.uk

Chair Dave Moutrey **Director** Jon Morgan

Trustees Paul Cartwright, James Dacre, Suba Das, Stephanie Hall, Annie Hampson, Richard Johnston, Gary Kemp, Lucy Osborne, Jane Spiers, Truda Spruyt, Katie Town

The National Advisory Public Body for Theatres

The Theatres Trust Charitable Fund co-operates with the Theatres Trust, has the same Trustees and is registered as a charity under number 274697

Protecting theatres
for **everyone**



help improve the audience experience. The revised statement confirms work will be sensitively undertaken with materials to match surrounding fabric, this can be conditioned if appropriate.

We are therefore now in a position to fully support the granting of listed building consent.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you wish to discuss these comments in further detail.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T Clarke". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Tom Clarke MRTPI
National Planning Adviser

Theatres Trust
22 Charing Cross Road, London WC2H 0QL
T 020 7836 8591 **E** info@theatrestrust.org.uk **W** theatrestrust.org.uk

Chair Dave Moutrey **Director** Jon Morgan

Trustees Paul Cartwright, James Dacre, Suba Das, Stephanie Hall, Annie Hampson, Richard Johnston, Gary Kemp, Lucy Osborne, Jane Spiers, Truda Spruyt, Katie Town

The National Advisory Public Body for Theatres
The Theatres Trust Charitable Fund co-operates with the Theatres Trust, has the same Trustees and is registered as a charity under number 274697