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Stratford-on-Avon District Council
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CV37 6HX

By e-mail: planning.applications@stratford-dc.gov.uk

Application: 23/03192/LBC

Site: Royal Shakespeare Theatre Waterside Stratford-Upon-Avon Warwickshire
CV37 6BB

Proposal: Installation of revised and new CCTV cameras

Remit:

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 Theatres Trust because it is seeking to undertake works at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre, specifically to install new and replacement CCTV cameras and equipment.

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The theatre's existing equipment is in need of upgrade, particularly in order to meet emerging standards expected of venues.

Whilst this will result in additional installations the applicant is taking steps to minimise harm in heritage terms through design and location. With reference to paragraph 208 of the NPPF (2023) this is mitigated through the public benefits of enhancing public safety and security.

We therefore support the granting of listed building consent.

Please contact us if we may be of further assistance or should you wish to discuss this representation in greater detail.

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