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Dear Ms Cottrell,

Theatre Royal, King Street, City Centre, Bristol, BS1 4DZ
Application Ref: 10/00888/RL and 10/00890/R

Thank you for consulting The Theatres Trust on the above application for renewal of approval for internal refurbishment and new roof level plant. The Theatres Trust **supports** the application in principle but please see our detailed advice below.

Remit: The Theatres Trust is The National Advisory Public Body for Theatres. The Town & Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995, Article 10, Para (v) requires the Trust to be consulted on planning applications which include '*development involving any land on which there is a theatre.*' It was established by The Theatres Trust Act 1976 '*to promote the better protection of theatres.*' This applies to all theatre buildings. Our main objective is to safeguard theatre use, or the potential for such use but we also provide expert advice on design, conservation, property and planning matters to theatre operators, local authorities and official bodies.

Advice/comment: The Theatres Trust supports the application for renewal of approval as this will allow the Theatre Royal to undertake the refurbishment to a less pressured timescale. We have already supported the proposed works outlined in the previous application for which an extension is being sought. I attach our earlier letter for reference and urge you to grant renewal of permission.

Yours sincerely,

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Planning and Heritage Adviser

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