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For the attention of: Mr M Williams

Mr G Bell
Chief Planner (Development Control)
Department of Development Services
Harrogate Borough Council
Knapping Mount, West Grove Road
Harrogate HG1 2AE

Dear Mr Bell,

Harrogate Theatre, Oxford Street, Harrogate HG1 1PU
Application number: 10/03342/SOSLB

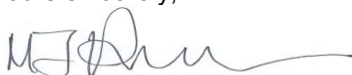
Thank you for consulting The Theatres Trust on the above listed building application for alterations to an internal door to the theatre shop (former box office) at the *Harrogate Theatre*. The Trust **supports** the application. Please see our detailed advice below.

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 Trust supports the application in principle because the proposed works are entirely necessary to improve access to the theatre shop, and moreover, will not adversely harm the historic fabric of the building. The works are minimal in nature and involve converting an existing stable door into a full-height door. This would enable ease of access for staff members. The proposed works and method of adaptation have been carefully considered and sympathetically designed within the context of the existing historic building, and therefore will not detract from or adversely harm its special architectural significance or historic value. The Theatres Trust would **urge you to grant Listed Building Consent.**

Please do not hesitate to contact us if we may be of further assistance.

Yours sincerely,



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Planning and Heritage Adviser

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