

The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/A1720/C/23/3336046

DETAILS OF THE CASE

Appeal Reference	APP/A1720/C/23/3336046
Appeal By	TITCHFIELD FESTIVAL THEATRE LIMITED
Site Address	Titchfield Festival Theatre 71-73 St. Margarets Lane FAREHAM PO14 4BG

SENDER DETAILS

Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED]

ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- Appellant
- Agent
- Interested Party / Person
- Land Owner
- Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- Final Comments
- Proof of Evidence
- Statement
- Statement of Common Ground
- Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

I AM ONE OF THE FOUNDER MEMBERS OF FAREHAM MEN'S SHED WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2016. THE SEARCH FOR PERMANENT PREMISES WAS SOMETHING OF A NIGHTMARE UNTIL KEVIN FRAZER, OWNER OF THE TITCHFIELD FESTIVAL THEATRE HEARD OF OUR PLIGHT AND KINDLY OFFERED US THE USE OF AN AREA AT THE BACK OF THE EXISING THEATRE. THIS PROVED A BOON AND THE SHEDS MEMBERSHIP GREW FROM THE MID FORTIES AND NOW STANDS AT ALMOST 80. WE CATER FOR RECENTLY BEREAVED GENTLEMEN, THOSE WHO ARE LONELY AND IN NEED OF MALE COMPANIONSHIP AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY RETIRED AND FEEL THE NEED TO "KEEP BUSY". WE ORGANISE DAYS OUT AND SOCIAL EVENTS WHICH ARE USUALLY WELL ATTENDED. WE ALSO HAVE CLOSE CONNECTIONS WITH LOCAL SCHOOLS ANS HAVE HELPED REFURBISH MANY PLAYGROUNDS. ALTHOUGH OUR CURRENT PREMISES ARE ADEQUATE, WE ARE ALWAYS ON THE LOOKOUT TO EXPAND AND ARE CONTINUOUSLY SEARCHING FOR LARGER PREMISES. WE HAVE STUDIOUSLY KEPT OURSELVES SEPARATE FROM THE ONGOING PLANNING STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE THEATRE AND F.B.C. BUT IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT SHOULD THE THEATRE LOSE IT'S APPEAL, WE ARE LIKELY TO BECOME HOMELESS WITH THE DISTINCT POSSIBILITY OF CLOSURE UNLESS, OF COURSE, F.B.C. CAN PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE ACCOMODATION, SOMETHING WHICH, UP TO NOW HAS PROVED BEYOND THEM. APART FROM THE CLOSURE OF THE SHED, THE LOCAL COMMUNITY WOULD BE LOSING A MARVELLOUS FACILITY STAGING SHAKESPEARE PLAYS, MODERN DRAMA PRODUCTIONS AND CHILDRENS THEATRE WORKSHOPS. I SINCERELY HOPE A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE COMPROMISE CAN BE RAEACHED. YOURS FAITHFULLY. [REDACTED]