

Act Your Age Titchfield Festival Theatre 73 St Margarets Ln, Titchfield, Fareham PO14 4BG

To The Planning Inspectorate

Ref: Titchfield Festival Theatre; Public Hearing for planning enforcement, regarding the newly built Arden Theatre.

As the Director of Act Your Age, a community outreach drama group made up of older actors, fully supported by Titchfield Festival Theatre, I would appreciate an opportunity to make oral representation at the Public Hearing.

Community engagement at Titchfield Festival Theatre is a significant aspect of the theatre's work. Providing free theatre experiences for local residential and community groups, particularly for those whose declining health or mobility means they can no longer attend the theatre in person, is achieved by Titchfield Festival Theatre ploughing all its profits into improving the theatre and financially supporting Act Your Age and countless other groups within the theatre. To refuse TFT the option to use the newly built Arden Theatre will seriously curtail the work it is able to do to support others in the community. The theatre is fully inclusive and has enabled thousands of people to improve their lives. I believe that FBC can find a compromise to enable TFT to continue its outreach work.

I ask that the planning Committee works to make a brighter future so that groups like Act Your Age can continue to enhance the lives of others and hope you will allow me to make a representation to the committee.