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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	
Address	
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

Titchfield Festival Theatre - Arden Theatre

TFT has for many years provided an opportunity for presentation of amateur productions at a price which lower income families can afford. At the same time there have been opportunities for those wishing to be involved in all aspects of amateur theatre to learn a trade.

The Arden theatre provides an opportunity for amateur thespians and those wishing to be involved with technical aspects of theatre to experience working on larger scale "Theatre in the Round" projects. This provides an education and a stepping stone for those who want to move on to work in the professional theatre.

The Arden Theatre also give audiences the opportunity to see larger scale amateur productions.

This local amateur theatre environment also helps the mental health of our young people, providing them opportunities to build their self-confidence, learn to work in a safe group environment and develop their interpersonal skills.

I have read the arguments from both the Fareham Borough Council and TFT management regarding the Arden Theatre and believe that the issues should be resolved to the benefit of the community, rather than instructing closure on technicalities.

I request that you see the benefits that TFT continue to bring to the Fareham community and the further benefits that the Arden Theatre delivers and allow the theatre to remain open.