

18/01127/LBC

Barn Theatre Beeches Road Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 1BN

Item No 06:-

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Listed Building Consent 18/01127/LBC		
Applicant:	The Barn Theatre	
Agent:	Clark & Maslin	
Case Officer:	Ullin McStea	
Ward Member(s):	Councillor Joe Harris	
Committee Date:	13th June 2018	
RECOMMENDATION:	REFUSE	

Proposed illuminated displays on one elevation at Barn Theatre Beeches Road Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 1BN

Main Issue:

(a) Impact on Heritage Assets

Reasons for Referral:

This application has been referred at the request of Councillor Robbins. A reason for referral has been requested but had not been received at the time of writing the report.

1. Site Description:

The Barn Theatre is a curtilage listed stone building constructed by the late 19th century. It is curtilage listed to a substantial property (house) formerly known as 'The Beeches' and 'Ingleside' which dates back to the late 18th but with further modifications and additions in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Although not located on one of the main routes through Cirencester, the Barn Theatre is clearly visible from the London Road. It is situated in Cirencester's South Conservation Area.

2. Relevant Planning History:

18/00316/LBC - New Signage - permitted March 2018

17/05165/ADV - New Signage - permitted March 2018

3. Planning Policies:

NPPF National Planning Policy Framework

4. Observations of Consultees:

None relevant to LBC

5. View of Cirencester Town Council:

No objection to the proposed illuminated displays, as the displays will enhance the existing building and support the buildings purpose as a theatre, subject to soft back lighting being used.

6. Other Representations:

None received at time of writing.

7. Applicant's Supporting Information:

Justification Statement

8. Officer's Assessment:

(a) Impact on Heritage Assets

The Barn Theatre is curtilage listed to the grade II listed 5 Beeches Road. The Local Planning Authority is statutorily required to have special regard to the desirability of preserving the building, its setting, and any features of special architectural or historic interest it may possess, in accordance with Section 16(2) of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

The Barn Theatre is situated with Cirencester South Conservation Area, wherein the Local Planning Authority is statutorily obliged to pay special attention to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the area, in accordance with Section 72(1) of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

Section 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities to take account of the desirability of sustaining or enhancing the significance of heritage assets. In particular, paragraph 132 states that when considering the impact of a proposal on the significance of a designated heritage asset, such as a Conservation Area, great weight should be given to the asset's conservation. It also states that significance can be harmed through alteration or development within its setting. Paragraph 134 states that where proposals will cause harm to the significance of a designated heritage asset that is less than substantial harm, that harm is weighed against the public benefits of those works.

Section 7 of the NPPF requires good design. Paragraph 58 states that decisions should ensure that developments: function well in the long term and add to the overall quality of the area; establish a strong sense of place, creating attractive and comfortable places; and respond to local character and history, reflecting the identity of the surroundings and materials, whilst not stifling innovation.

This application is for the installation of 4 internally illuminated panels to the southwest elevation of The Barn Theatre in Cirencester. This is the second set of applications this year related to the signage on this site; the earlier applications were initially for externally illuminated lettering to two elevations as well as the internally illuminated panels proposed in the current application. Following concerns expressed by the Conservation and Design Team about the impact of the proposed scheme on the curtilage listed building and the character and appearance of the conservation area, discussions were had with the applicant and subsequently new proposals were submitted. Consent and permission were given for an amended scheme (which included externally illuminated lettering and notice boards) in March 2018

The new applications are for the internally illuminated signs withdrawn from the original scheme.

It is considered that the four proposed illuminated displays in this application are harmful to the curtilage listed building. This type of advertisement, (internally illuminated) the number of them, their size and their position in the centre of the south west elevation of The Barn Theatre would make them a starkly modern and overly dominant feature that would detract from simple vernacular appearance of this historic curtilage listed building.

The internally illuminated signs would also be extremely visually prominent within this predominantly residential conservation area and as such appear discordant and out of place. As such they would fail to preserve the character and appearance of the conservation area.

9. Conclusion:

Refusal is recommended as it is considered that this proposal is harmful to the curtilage listed building, The Barn Theatre, as well as to the character and appearance of the Cirencester South Conservation Area.

Although it is believed that the internally illuminated signs will cause harm, it is considered that this harm would fall into the category of 'less than substantial harm' in terms of the relevant section of the NPPF, and as Paragraph 134, which states that less than substantial harm should be weighed against the public benefits of the proposal, needs to be applied. It should also be noted however, that in this weighing up process, according to the NPPF, 'great weight' should be given to the assets conservation.

The public benefit of a successful cultural venue within Cirencester is not in doubt; however a scheme that includes externally illuminated signage for the Barn Theatre was given consent two months ago. No information on increased public benefit of internally illuminated signage has been provided to balance against the harm that these proposed additions will cause the heritage assets.

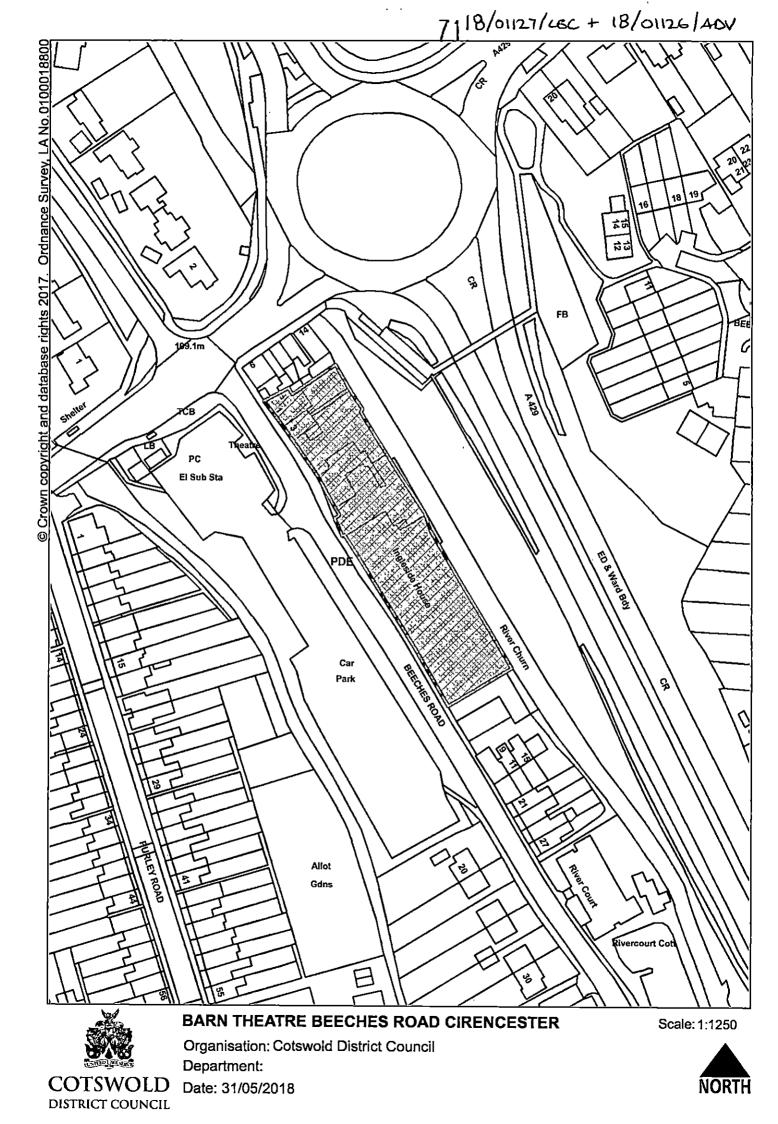
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The Barn Theatre is also situated within the Cirencester (South) Conservation Area, wherein the Local Planning Authority is statutorily obliged to pay special attention to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the area, in accordance with Section 72(1) of the Planning (LBCA) Act 1990.

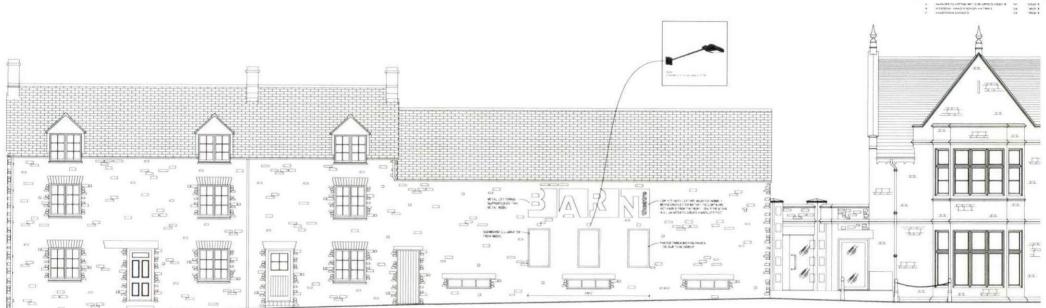
The proposals are for the installation of four internally illuminated advertising panels on the south west elevation of the Barn Theatre. These panels, by virtue of their number, size, position and luminosity would be harmful to the simple vernacular character of the curtilage listed building. They would also contribute to a cumulative degradation of the character and appearance of the conservation area, though this harm and degradation would be less than substantial. The proposal would thereby fail to preserve or enhance the significance of the designated heritage assets; no evidence of mitigating public benefit has been provided.

The proposals thus conflict with Sections 16(2) and 72(1) of the Planning (LBCA) Act 1990 and Paragraph 134 of the National Planning Policy Framework.



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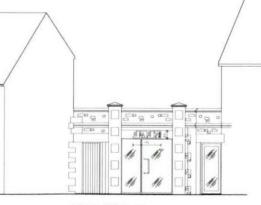


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CONSENTED SCHEME - MARCH 2018

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SOUTH ELEVATION 150

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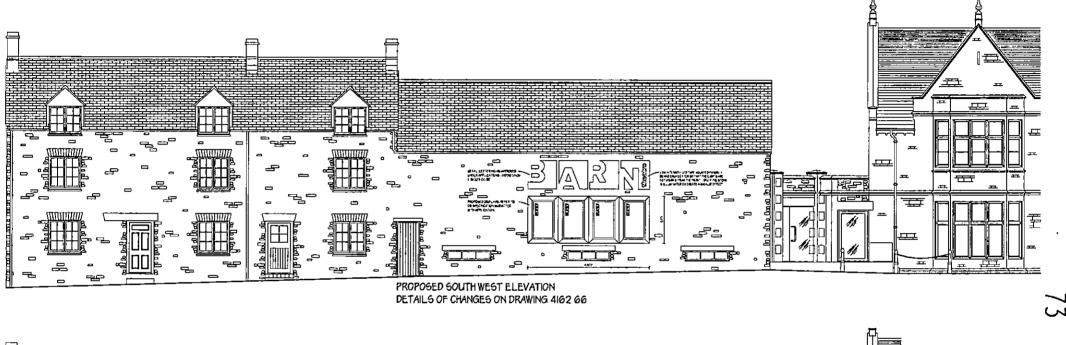
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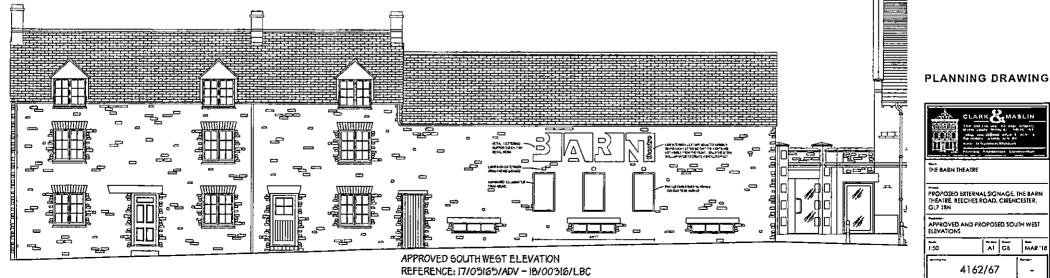
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PANEL

Active Display Area Backlight Resolution Pixel Pitch (mm) Brightness Contrast Ratio Viewing Angle Display Colours

CONNECTIVITY

Video Power Consumption Power Input External Controls Diagnostic

MECHANICAL STRUCTURE

Dimensions (W-H-D) Packaging Dimensions Weight Packaging Weight Wall VESA Mounting Protective Glass Self-Standing Mounting

Operating Temperature

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SPECIAL FEATURES

Bezel Special Features Touch Screen Module Media Player Option Type IP Class

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1870 x 1200 x 200 mm (without legs) N/D 198 Kg N/D 6 mm monolithic foughened antivandal glass Yes

-15°C to +45°C

N/D Dual bonding technology N/D N/D IP54 antidust system

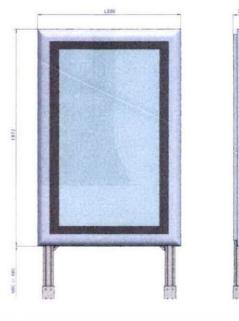
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