LOCAL PLAN FOR BOLSOVER DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND

AS AGREED BETWEEN

BOLSOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

AND

THE THEATRES TRUST
1) Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this Statement of Common Ground is to inform the Inspector and other parties about the areas of agreement between Bolsover District Council and the Theatre’s Trust on policy ITCR 4: Local Shops and Community Facilities of the Local Plan for Bolsover District submitted to the Secretary of State on the 31st August 2018.

2) Background

2.1 The Council set out its policies for Policy ITCR4: Local Shops and Community Facilities in its Publication Local Plan for Bolsover District in May 2018.

2.2 The Theatre Trust’s representations raised objections about the soundness of the wording of policy ITCR 4 which can be summarised as:

- The Trust is supportive of this policy, which seeks to maintain community facilities including cultural facilities within the local area. Within the marketing evidence we would recommend additional text to set out that efforts should include a reasonable rent or sale price for the existing use of the facility. This change will improve the robustness of the policy, and to help it achieve its objective of protecting existing facilities where a need remains (representation ref. 8524);

Note: Representation references refer to the unique reference within the Council’s JDi consultation database system.

2.3 The Council has considered this representation and agreement between the Council and the Theatres Trust has been reached on the following modifications (as relevant text to be deleted shown as strikethrough and new text to be inserted shown as bold):

- Policy ITCR 4: Local Shops and Community Facilities

Amend the second footnote to read -

** Marketing should be through an appropriate agent as well as through the Council’s regeneration service facility. The applicant should agree the marketing strategy, including any marketing period (with a rent or sale price for the existing use of the facility), with the Local Planning Authority in advance. Evidence of the results of the sustained marketing strategy will need to be submitted with any planning application. Marketing should not be restricted to just the building’s last use but also other potential community uses.

3) Areas of Common Ground

3.1 Bolsover District Council and the Theatres Trust agree that:

- the modifications proposed by Bolsover District Council stated above address the concerns of the Theatres Trust raised in its representation ref. 8524.
4) Conclusion

4.1 Based on the stated areas of common ground, the Theatres Trust agree that its representation 8524 to the Publication Local Plan for Bolsover District has been addressed and can be withdrawn subject to the modifications stated above being made to the Plan.

AGREEMENT

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On behalf of Bolsover District Council

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On behalf of Bolsover District Council

Tom Clarke MRTPI
On behalf of Theatres Trust

Dated: 20th December 2018