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Dear Historic Environment Scotland,

The Brunton Theatre has been at the heart of Musselburgh's cultural sector for decades and is a treasured part of the community. However, listing the building would have a detrimental impact on the ability for the Brunton theatre space to remain as a cultural asset in the town.

There is wide support for a theatre in Musselburgh, but preserving the current building also preserves many of the issues it faces, including a lack of accessibility, concerns over safety and vital maintenance that is required to restore the building up to an acceptable standard.

Many, including ourselves, acknowledge and treasure the building but it is vital that maintaining Musselburgh's cultural centre is not overshadowed by prioritising the existing building. We wish to work with the Trust to ensure there is a theatre space in Musselburgh that simultaneously honours the existing building by incorporating much of its iconic features, including the gold installations, while also creating a facility that reflects the current community and meets modern standards.

We look forward to working with Historic Environment Scotland and the Trust on the process of ensuring Musselburgh maintains a theatre space and maintaining an open dialogue throughout the process.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Boyack MSP

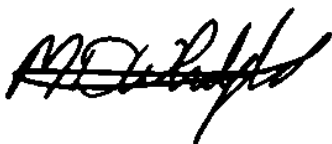


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