

Part A: Information about the asset

Please note that all fields with an * are mandatory

1. Identification of Asset

To help us identify the asset being nominated please provide as much information as possible:

Type of asset: ☒ Building,
☐ Land

Title of the asset (eg; name of the building): The Regent Cinema, Marple *

Address: 12, Stockport Road, Marple *

Town: Stockport *

Postcode: SK5 6BJ *

Any further information (eg; details of any additional information that you have supplied which will help us identify the asset):

2. Asset Owners

Please provide details about the existing occupants (if relevant) and names and current or last known address of all those holding a freehold or leasehold estate in the asset:

Occupant / Freeholder / Leaseholder 1

Name (s): [REDACTED]

Connection to the asset: ☐ Occupant
☐ Freeholder
☒ Leaseholder

Address: Regent Cinema, 12, Stockport Road *

Town: Marple, Stockport *

Postcode: SK5 6BJ *

Telephone Number: 0161 427 5951 *

Email Address: [REDACTED]@gmail.com *

Occupant / Freeholder / Leaseholder 2

Name (s): David Lillis

Connection to the asset: ☐ Occupant
☐ Freeholder
☒ Leaseholder

Address:

Town:

Postcode:

Telephone
Number:

Email
Address:

Occupant / Freeholder / Leaseholder 3

Name (s):

Connection
to the
asset:

- ☐ Occupant
☐ Freeholder
☐ Leaseholder

Address:

Town:

Postcode:

Telephone
Number:

Email
Address:

Occupant / Freeholder / Leaseholder 4

Name (s):

Connection
to the
asset:

- ☐ Occupant
☐ Freeholder
☐ Leaseholder

Address:

Town:

Postcode:

Telephone
Number:

Email
Address:

Community Right to Bid Nomination Form

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3. Community Value

Under the Community Right to Bid regulations, an asset is of community value if:

- It is at least partly within the local authority's area
- Its main use (i.e. not ancillary) has recently been or is presently being used to further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community and could reasonably do so in the future i.e. within the next 5 years
- It does not fall within one of the exemptions specified in regulations

Please provide reasons why the asset you have identified qualifies as an asset of community value:

The building which houses the Regent Cinema was originally built by the Carver family as the Union Rooms. This was intended as a recreational facility that gave an alternative to ale houses and provided a community focus. As such it is part of the historical building stock of the town, which grew up around the mill owned by the Carver family, and was a key part of the growth of Marple. The age of the building and its unique architecture ensure this is a physical icon in the area. As a building alone it is valued as having historical significance. It was converted into a cinema and opened on the 22nd of August 1931. Closed in August 1968 it was refurbished and reopened in May 1969 with a new owner and has been operating as a cinema ever since. In addition its traditional approach to cinema film exhibition has maintained a social resonance with the 1940s and 50s. The cinema includes an old box office and is one of the last cinemas to have intermissions in feature films and continues to use a vintage approach to ice cream sales using shoulder trays and cinema assistants who enter the auditorium. Whilst this may not hark back to the distant age of other treasured community buildings, cinema history is now a valid historical subject of study and is a key and integral part of cultural development of the last century and thus of community value. Whilst the cinema has been a successful commercial concern it has been run by the same family since 1969 to the present day and has become something of an institution in Marple Community life. It is also regarded as a major cultural benefit for the local community and is one of only three places in Greater Manchester with a privately run cinema (along with Heaton Moor and Wilmslow). In common with these cinemas, the private ownership has ensured it retains many of its features from the 1930s, and is thus a site of 20th century historical interest. In addition, as an element of the cultural community of the area, there is no other cinema in the immediate vicinity, the closest being Stockport centre. According to trip adviser, only Lyme Park has more visitors in the Borough, and the enterprise attracts people into the town from outside, contributing to the local economy and thereby to cultural and heritage tourism to Marple. To maintain its place in the community, the Cinema has raised funds for other community initiatives. As an example, for Armistice Day, the cinema has done special one-off screenings of films on that theme and used these screenings to raise money for the Poppy Appeal. They also screen films with special concessions to help families, older or disadvantaged members of the community. They also support Rotary and Lyme 41 club. The general programming has been geared towards the local demographics and has included children's/family matinees at weekends and in school holidays. In addition, some community groups use the cinema for trips when films of particular interest to their groups are shown, for example historically or literary based films. Were the cinema ever to be threatened with closure or conversion, the residents of Marple have long expressed an active interest in running the concern as a community cinema in keeping with some of the other enterprises in, for example, neighbouring Derbyshire. The opportunity presented by the ACV listing would be welcomed and, based on current empirical evidence, if ever called upon, would have a strong chance of resulting in a coherent and fully funded bid. "

Please include any relevant supporting information.

Please attach any relevant documents below. Click 'browse' and find the area on your computer where you have saved the document(s). Highlight the document and click 'open.' Click on 'attach' and the name of the document will appear in the box named 'Attached files'. To remove the document highlight the name in the box named 'Attached files' and click 'remove'.

N.B. The total size of all attachments should be no bigger than 30Mb.

Please provide links to any relevant supporting information. Eg:
<http://www.stockportcouncil.gov.uk>

Part B: Information about your Organisation

Nominations can be submitted by voluntary and community organisations with a local connection.

Relevant bodies include:

- Neighbourhood Forums
- Parish Councils
- Unincorporated bodies of 21 named members
- A Charity
- Company Limited by Guarantee
- Industrial or Provident Society
- Community Interest Group

Please provide information about the nominating organisation:

Name of organisation: Marple Neighbourhood Forum *

Type of organisation: ☒ Neighbourhood Forums
☐ Parish Councils
☐ Unincorporated bodies of 21 named members
☐ A Charity
☐ Company Limited by Guarantee
☐ Industrial or Provident Society
☐ Community Interest Group

Proof of eligibility to make a community incorporated body *
nomination:

Part C: Contact Details

We will need to contact you to respond to your application. Please provide contact details for the person who is leading this nomination.

Name: Cllr Malcolm Allan *

Address: [REDACTED]

Town: Marple, Stockport *

Postcode: SK6 [REDACTED]

Telephone Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: Cllr.Malcolm.allan@stockport.gov.uk *