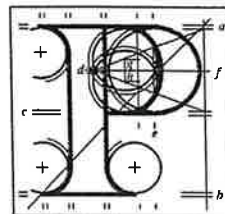


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Jill Cousins  
The Hunt Museum  
The Custom House  
Rutland Street  
Limerick

Date: 10th June 2019

Re: 10 year permission for opera site re-development including a mixed use scheme of primarily offices, supported by a range of retail and non-retail services, cafes/restaurants, licenced premises, apart-hotel, civic/cultural uses (including a city library in the existing town hall), residential, refurbishment of existing protected buildings and open space.  
Site bounded by Michael Street, Ellen Street, Rutland Street, Patrick Street and Bank Place, Limerick.

Dear Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

A receipt for the fee lodged is enclosed.

Please note that the proposed development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it or approved it with conditions.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

Kieran Somers  
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An Bord Pleanála,  
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29 May 2020

Re: Planning application with An Bord Pleanala Opera Site, Limerick

The Hunt Museum would like to endorse and support this extremely positive development of the Opera site in Limerick.

The proposed development, opposite the Hunt Museum, in what is currently a rather dismal area can only improve vastly the experience of the city and bring overall benefits.

We would however like to ask that you to look again at how you might more holistically and better connect to us, as an existing iconic site, at the junction of the Medieval and Georgian quarters of the city, to the Opera Development so that we can make full use of the facilities that will be on offer and vice versa.

While the vision for the Opera development will be hugely beneficial for the area it is in danger of being an island surrounded by poor relations not encouraging flow through the city and down to the river (and the proposed World Class Waterfront development). Between The Hunt Museum and the Opera is Rutland Road. This is a busy thoroughfare and finding a way to connect directly over or under this road would create a visionary more rounded development. This would allow the Hunt itself to make full use of the proposed library development for its education and exhibition activities. Taking small children, or elderly people, across busy roads in the rain would be a no-no. Taking them under the road, in the dry and safely would be very innovative. We would also not be adverse to a bridge, but Limerick has a fine history of tunnels.

Currently we are extraneous to the proposed development and we would like to be part of it.

Yours sincerely,

Jill Cousins  
CEO & Director