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WORTHING CONSULTATION RESPONSE

APPLICATION: AWDM/0382/24 | 30 YORK ROAD, WORTHING, WEST SUSSEX BN11 3EN

Change of Use of First Floor from Office (Use Class E) to Photographic/Film Studio (sui generis)

Thank you for requesting our comments in respect of the above planning application. The proposal relates to a distinctive Art Deco style warehouse dating from circa 1926. There are large access doors on the ground floor. This building is recorded on the Local Interest List and situated within the Steyne Gardens Conservation Area.

I have now had the opportunity to discuss the proposed change of use with our Heritage Team and we have the following comments. The Art Deco façade with a decorative stone-clad frontage is an important feature of this unique building and contributes positively to the historic character of the conservation area. The Worthing Local Interest Study mentions that this unique warehouse was originally built to store bananas.

We are pleased to note therefore that the proposed change of use does not necessitate any alteration to the outward appearance of the building. The access door and the ground floor storage area for classic cars will, we understand, remain unaltered to retain the original layout and usage of this unique Art Deco building.

In addition, the applicants Planning Statement indicates that there will be relatively minor internal changes to the first floor with the removal of non-loadbearing partition walls to accommodate the studio. This area has had previous use as office space.

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In conclusion I am pleased to advise you that we do not object to this application.

Yours sincerely,

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Cc: Planning Dept., Adur & Worthing Councils (REDACTED)