

ATTACHMENT B Elements of Proposal – Degree of Reversibility

The following table is provided as a concise summary of the "reversibility" of each of the elements of the proposal. This is provided in addition to the earlier response to the Heritage Council submission of 20 December 2018.

Element of Proposal	Degree of Reversibility	Comment
Eastern Passageway connecting Southern	Reversible	The opening in the staircase can be closed over by re-establishing the
Foyer to Northern Foyer		stair treads. Either existing treads or new matching treads can be used.
		The passageway underneath the treads would remain in situ if this were
		done.
Relocation of existing plantroom/ Western	N/A	The revised design for Plantroom 17 does not require the relocation of
podium façade exhaust hood		the plant, nor does it require the new hood to be installed on the
		Western podium façade.
		The existing plant however will be removed following an assessment of
		its significance and archival recording. Due to the location and the
		limited access, this plant will need to be broken down for removal.
		This change to the proposed works also results in the removal of the
		need to demolish two w/c's in the public women's toilets on level 3.
		Similarly, the accessible public toilet on the eastern side of level 3 will
		not be installed within the existing "lobby" of the women's toilets. The
		new accessible toilet will be constructed in a back of house space that is
		no longer required for a/c ducting.
Additional handrails to eastern and western	Reversible	These handrails could be removed and the holes in the stair treads
foyer stairs		could be patched. Similar patching has been undertaken elsewhere at
		the SOH in the precast pink granite panels and stair treads.
New lifts in Northern Foyers	Not reversible	The significant structural changes to the cranked beams and staircases
		would not be readily reversible.

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Toilet upgrades (Northern Foyers)	Not reversible	The new accessible toilet facilities could be removed, however the western side facility does require the removal and reconstruction of a concrete column. This would not be readily reversible. As noted above (Relocation of plantroom 17), the new design does not require the demolition of two women's w/c's in the public toilets.
Accessibility upgrades to Seating/ Dressing rooms	Not reversible	
Acoustic Reflectors	New over-stage reflectors – reversible Existing over-stage reflectors - not reversible Sidewall reflectors – not reversible	If required, the over-stage reflectors could be removed from the venue. The existing over-stage reflectors will be unable to be reinstated The sidewall reflectors could be removed, however the walls would require patching where the reflectors are removed, this could be done with the original white birch plywood (after removal from the reflector assembly), however a shadow line gap would be apparent.
Panelled Box Fronts	Reversible	The panelled box fronts can be removed and either the current flat box fronts (not original) or the saw-tooth box fronts (original and presently in storage) could be re-installed. The rear walls could similarly be reversed.
Acoustic Drapes	Not reversible	The drapes and mechanisms could be removed, however the ceiling crown and sidewalls would need to be patched where the banners are installed. As noted above, the original white birch plywood from each banner/drawer location could be reinstated, however a shadow line gap would be apparent.
Technical overlay - Lighting/ Speakers	Reversible	These elements could be removed from the venue.
Stage improvements	Not reversible	The reconfiguration of the stage and wings would not be readily reversible.
Modifications to back stage area	Not reversible	As per the stage improvements, the reconfiguration of the anteroom would not be readily reversible.
Technical improvements	Not reversible	The reconfiguration of the plant above the CH ceiling would not be readily reversible. The strengthening of the steel structure is in BOH spaces and it would not be necessary to remove these works.

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Seat refurbishment	N/A	The SOH currently renews and repairs seats when they are damaged.
		The proposed seat refurbishment is similar in nature to these works.
Air conditioning upgrade	Not reversible	The canon-port infills could be removed, however the new registers in
		the soffits would need to be patched.
Creative Learning Centre – Relocation of Entry	Reversible	The entry doors could be reinstated to the current position.
<u>Doors</u>		
Creative Learning Centre – Opening in Curved	Not reversible	The new opening could be closed, however the nature of the wall
Wall		strengthening is such that this reinforced concrete could not be readily
		removed.
Creative Learning Centre – Internal Fit Out	Reversible	The internal fitout for the Creative Learning Centre could be removed.