

Convent Road,
Ballinrobe,
Co. Mayo.

November 25, 2014

Ref: Proposed new Ballinrobe Town Hall

To:

Michael Sweeney,
Chairperson,
Ballinrobe Town Hall Committee.

Dear Michael,

I am writing to offer the full support of Ballinrobe Musical Society for the proposed new Town Hall. The plans look very exciting and it will be a wonderful day when the hall is officially opened – the town has missed this facility.

From our perspective, it will be a major boost to have a purpose-built 420-seater facility. We will be the envy of societies all over Ireland. As you know, over the past decade and a half, we have staged our show in Ballinrobe Community School, and enjoyed many memorable nights there. The school proved to be a most popular venue with our supporters and members and it will forever remain an integral part of our heritage. Who will forget, for example, the week we brought 'The Pirate Queen' back to Mayo and how world renowned figures from the world of musical theatre came to Ballinrobe to see our offering.

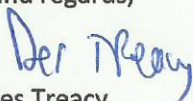
The generosity of the school in facilitating us over the past decade and a half will never be forgotten by the society, and we are very grateful to the school management, staff and student body for the enthusiasm they exhibited in ensuring that we could maintain our tradition of staging an annual show.

And, now, like 'The Pirate Queen, we too are going home! Back to where it all began all those years ago in 1943: the Town Hall on Cornmarket/the Neale Road. We look forward to staging our shows there, and we are genuinely excited by the preliminary plans you have published. Already we can see the curtain go up, the crowd fall silent and the show begin. The plans you have created paints the picture of a well-serviced venue, with ample audience space and a stage area that organisations like us will be able to manipulate to our varying needs.

On behalf of the Society, I wish you and your committee every success and you can be assured of our full support.

Let the show begin!

Kind regards,



Des Treacy,
Chairperson, Ballinrobe Musical Society.