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Date 13 June 2023

via email to:

Dear Emma

Jacob's Wells Baths

The Council's CAT Group met on 12 June and considered the future of the vacant JWB site.

We understand that neither Trinity Community Arts nor I [redacted] felt able to collaborate and prepare a joint proposal for the future of the building. Following an approach by [redacted], [redacted] sent us an alternative proposal. This is based on either buying the freehold, or on acquiring a long lease. [redacted] s proposal is intended to prevent it being sold at auction to an anonymous bidder, and to secure it for artistic, leisure and community use.

Earlier this year, the Council deferred a decision on the disposal of the JWB building in order to create time to consider other options. The option of disposal will now be considered by Cabinet on 4 July. The Council would like to offer both Trinity and [redacted] the opportunity to submit by 30 June any other proposal that could create greater social outcomes than a standard disposal at auction might achieve. This includes considering a direct sale at an undervalue (subject to a restrictive covenant on the freehold title), or a long lease without any residual risk or expense to the Council, or any similar mechanism that could achieve social outcomes and preserve this property as a community asset.

The Council is unable to continue to cover the ongoing cost of this vacant property, so any alternative proposals will need to bear the full cost immediately.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you require more details or wish to discuss this email in more detail.

Yours sincerely

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