

23 April 2014

Dear Resident,

Re: Gala Bingo, Acton. Invitation to attend a drop-in session to view Destiny Christian Centre's proposal for a change of use from D2 (bingo) to D1 (place of worship and community use)

I am writing to update you on Destiny Christian Centre's proposal to create a new community hub for Acton, as well as carry out restoration work to the Grade II listed Gala Bingo building. We would like to invite you to attend a drop-in session to discuss our proposals, tour the building, and ask any questions you may have of the project team.

Destiny Christian Centre is a family-orientated church that was established in 2010. Our services are currently held in temporary accommodation in Central London. Our congregation is not made up of a particular ethnic or age group, rather our founding vision was to create an inclusive church for the whole community, and this is reflected in our existing congregation.

Following consultation with the public we plan to submit a planning application to the London Borough of Ealing for a change of use, from D2 (bingo) to D1 (place of worship and community use), so that we can establish a permanent home for our church in Acton.

One of our main aspirations is to become a local community partner. Part of our proposal is for new community space and we are eager to hear your ideas on how you think this space could be used to fulfil local requirements. Some of our initial ideas are to run our recently established food bank and a mothers' and toddlers' group.

We also plan to carry out significant restoration work to protect and enhance the Grade II listed building. Upon its conversion to a bingo hall, some significant changes were made to the building's interior. We are proposing to restore a number of the key original features, including the stage – which is currently used as a bar and kitchen – and the original foyer.

The drop-in session will be held at:

Venue: Gala Bingo Hall, High Street, Acton, London, W3 6LJ

Date: Thursday 8 May 2014, 4pm – 8pm

I look forward to welcoming you to our building and answering any questions you may have.

If you have any questions in advance of the drop-in session or are unable to attend, please contact our information line on 020 3435 4219. Alternatively, you can write to us: Gala Bingo Acton, c/o Christian Cosby, Freepost Plus RTEC-ECBB-KSRJ, Flitcroft House, 114-116 Charing Cross Road, London, WC2H 0JR.

Yours faithfully



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