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Dear Ian Denyer

I am in receipt of your notice dated 13/11/06 under the Highways Act in connection with the Max Miller statue in New Road. We write to object to the placing of said statue outside the Pavilion Theatre, of which we are the Leaseholders.

The statue will present a considerable obstruction to the refurbished New Road and, depending on the exact location, the sighting outside the Pavilion Theatre Stage Door is likely to cause congestion and it will become a health and safety hazard. As far we are aware Max Miller had no association with the Pavilion Theatre, Corn Exchange or Dome Concert Hall. Furthermore, we do not believe the statue gives the right image for the contemporary nature of the current arts and entertainment offering in the cultural quarter.

This objection would apply to any New Road location near the premises we occupy. We would suggest that the statue would be much more appropriately sighted on the seafront, as with the Eric Morecambe statue on Morecambe prom.

Yours faithfully,

Nick Dodds
Chief Executive

c.c Steve Bagnall – General Manager
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