

# Development Proposal (elevations)



**First floor studio extension viewed from South Road**



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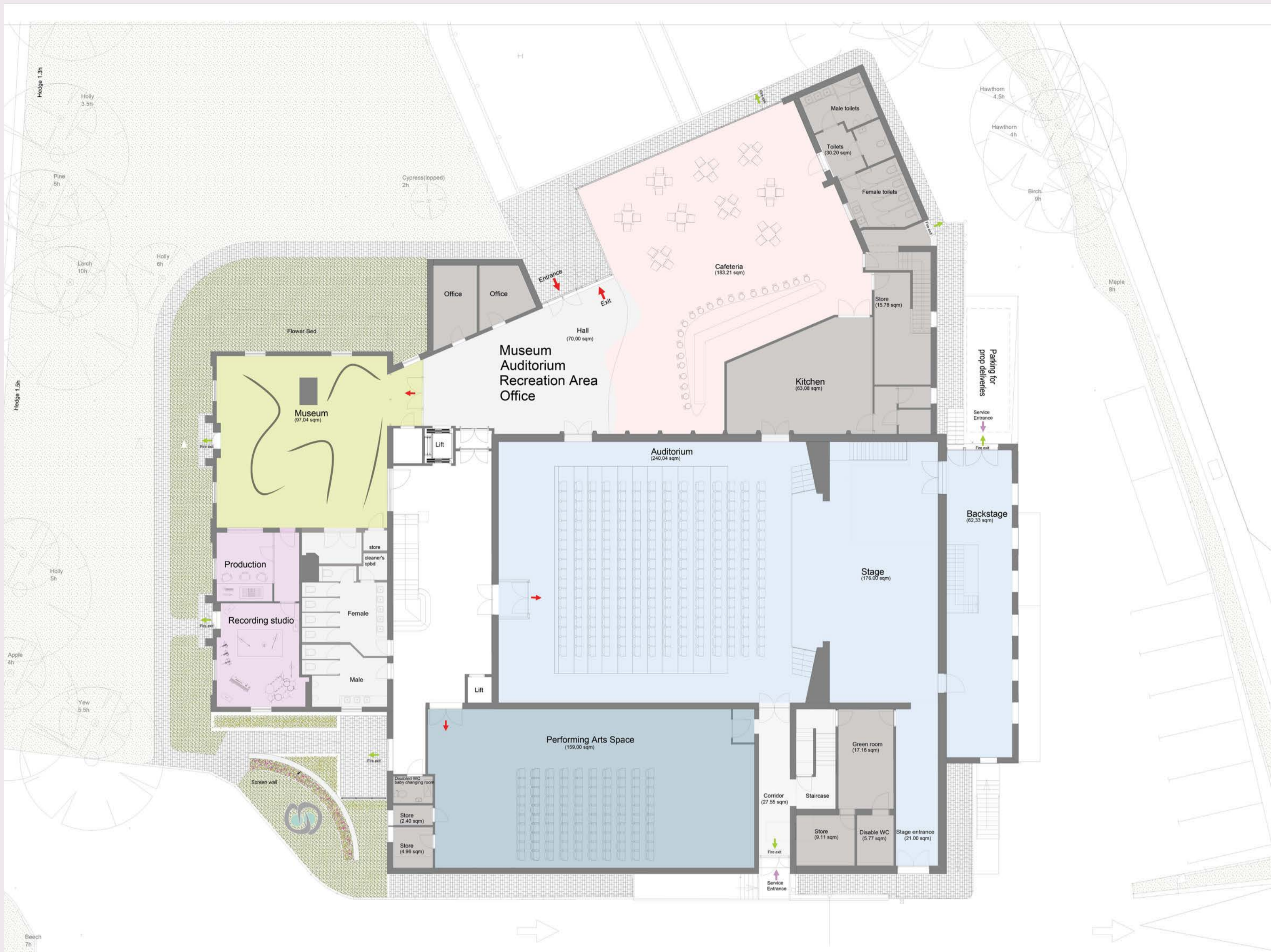
# Looking towards our future...



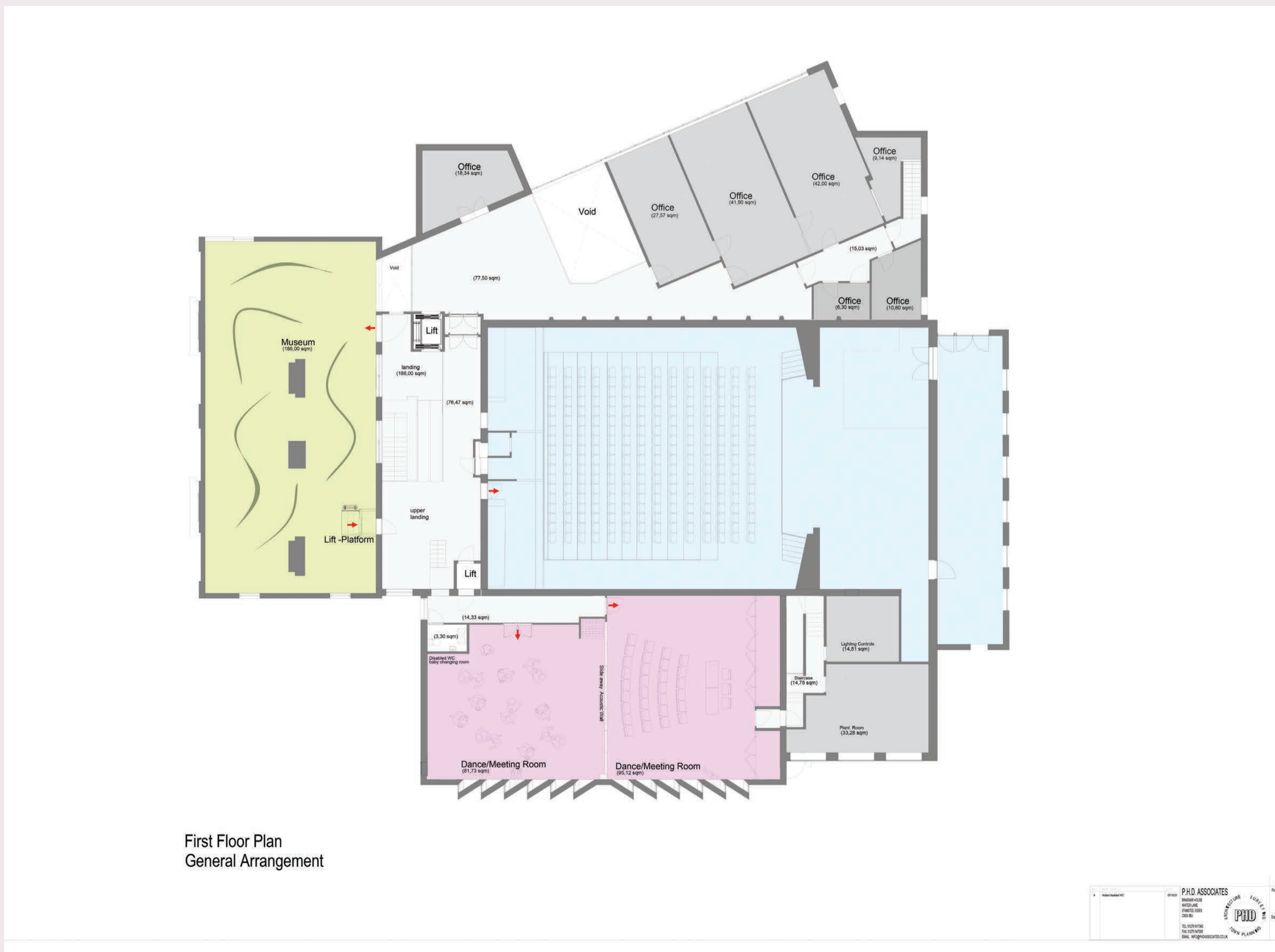
South Mill Arts has submitted a grant application to Bishop's Stortford Town Council for £2.1m to help fund:

- A new, free to enter, exhibition area for our museum on the ground floor. The new exhibition space will focus on Bishop's Stortford's musical heritage celebrating the range of bands and performers that have played in our auditorium and went on to receive worldwide acclaim. It will also incorporate a recording studio and production room space to meet the demand for training studios to be used by the studio engineers of the future.
- The creation of a new fit-for-purpose drama/dance and arts rehearsal space for our existing hirers and a facility for South Mill Arts to host our own Youth Drama Group replacing the existing dance studio on the ground floor. This will help us address the demand for studio space that is more than we can currently provide. This will also provide us with additional space for heritage and education activities in line with our charitable objectives.
- A new-build dance studio on the first floor to further enhance our reputation for offering this outstanding facility to our local community. This will involve a new build construction that will add architectural flair to the current elevation and solar energy being captured on the roof to generate some of our heating requirements.
- The development of a mezzanine area for art installations and exhibitions. The arts exhibitions will be free of charge to the public thus ensuring no financial barrier to accessing this important enhancement.
- The future proofing of our building infrastructure to ensure our venue is a safe, accessible, and an adaptable environment for performers, audiences, staff and visitors alike. This includes recovering the roof above the auditorium, improved lift access and new and additional toilet facilities.
- A significant improvement in disability access and facilities throughout the building improving the visitor experience for all.

# Development Proposal (floorplans)



Ground floor proposed alterations



First floor proposed alteration and extensions

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