

## Speaking for Scotland's Buildings



*This comment was submitted by the AHSS Forth & Borders Cases Panel via an online planning portal*

**Council:** City of Edinburgh

**Application reference:** 21/01065/LBC

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The AHSS Forth & Borders Cases Panel has examined the proposal for alterations to this important A-listed building, and we echo our support for the proposals expressed previously on the related LBC application.

The proposed use is a practical and sensible solution to this long-vacant building at risk (excepting the ground floor), and the proposed layout respects the original floorplan and decorative features. Panel members considered this a particularly well-thought-through proposal, with an attention to detail which answered all of our concerns. This is an unusually good proposal from an architectural heritage perspective.

This does not preclude adoption of HES's suggestions relating to a pod approach to some bathrooms, which would be welcome.