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To Dave Millner  
CAO Township of Southgate.

The Dundalk Little Theatre has a vested interest in seeing the Olde Town Hall resume its capacity as a functional theatre. We miss our home greatly and would love to grace the Audrey Oldfield stage once again.

The DLT would love to continue as we had in the past with a minimum of two shows a year, each requiring 33 nights (rehearsal and show nights combined). Additionally, we have always wanted to put on a summer fest but without air conditioning it was never possible. This summer fest could see us use the theatre even more.

As you are aware the DLT put a fair amount of its revenue back into the space and we can see ourselves furthering that cause once we are up and running again.

As for your question about whether the Dundalk Little Theatre believes the municipality should be part of this venture, the simple answer is yes. Arts and Culture are an important part of any community one that frequently sees partnerships with local, provincial and federal governments. As Southgate grows and the expansion in Dundalk proper continues it is even more important to focus on culture and the arts. It is what makes a village, town, or city a place you want to live. It gives a sense of pride in your home. Southgate has always supported local community groups and the Olde Town Hall Theatre should be no different. Obviously, the members of the DLT are passionate about the arts and if there is any way we can help bring the theatre back we are interested.

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