

## Unity and Joy Through Live Music

#### **BMT** aims:

Run Bristol Beacon with a diverse programme, of 800 events pa from rock & pop to classical music, up-and-coming artists, comedy and conferences, weddings and graduations for over **500,000** visitors pa

Provide rich educational opportunities for **30,000** children and young people through Bristol Music Hub and **5,000** people through community health and wellbeing projects

BMT is the region's largest art charity with 96 FTE jobs, 100 stewards, 80 music teachers.

KPMG 2016: Bristol Beacon generates £13million GVA pa

## Programme

### **Artistic Programme**

- 700 shows pop, rock, comedy, orchestral, emerging artists
- 6 music festivals: BNM, Simple Things, Hand in Hand, HooHa, Bristol Takeover, Hospitality (D&B)
- Many artistic partnerships: BBC, LSO, Para orchestra, Tomorrow's Warriors
- 4 performance venues
- 97,000 tickets sold for £3.3million by 31 March 2024
- 75 concerts, 3 world premieres, 14 comedy gigs, 3 family shows and 2 festivals since opening
- 100,000 visitors in first 100 days
- Largest city centre performance venue

### Commercial

### **Conferencing / F&B**

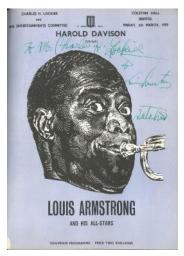
- 6 bars, 3 restaurants
- 200 commercial events a year
- Conferencing, events, parties, weddings, graduations, trade shows, retail fairs
- Supports provision of the artistic programme
- Finest civic events space in the city, largest conference venue
- UWE Graduations

## Creative Learning and Engagment

#### **Education and Community**

- Music Hub for Bristol area: 30,000 young people, 24 ensembles including Youth orchestra and Youth Choir, £60,000 invested in lesson/group bursaries
- Community programme:
  - Older people (improving social isolation and living better)
  - Hope Creative for Care Experienced young people from 0-25 years
  - Talent Development and Support for Young Creatives wanting to work in the music industry

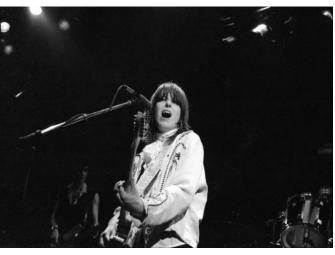
# **Bristol Beacon: musical heritage**



Louis Armstrong



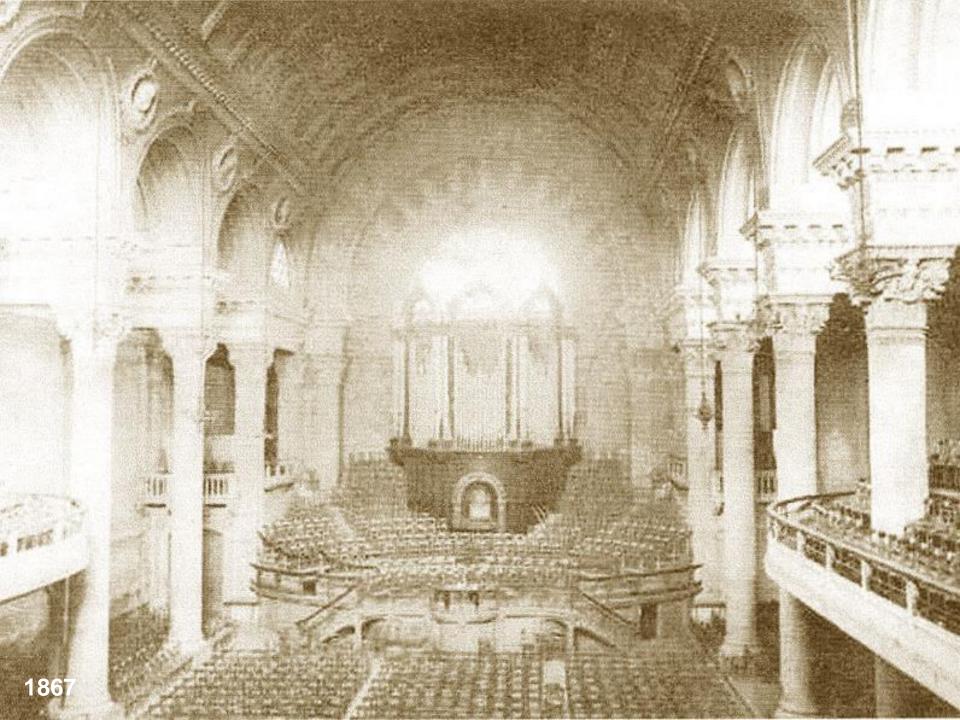
BB King



The Pretenders

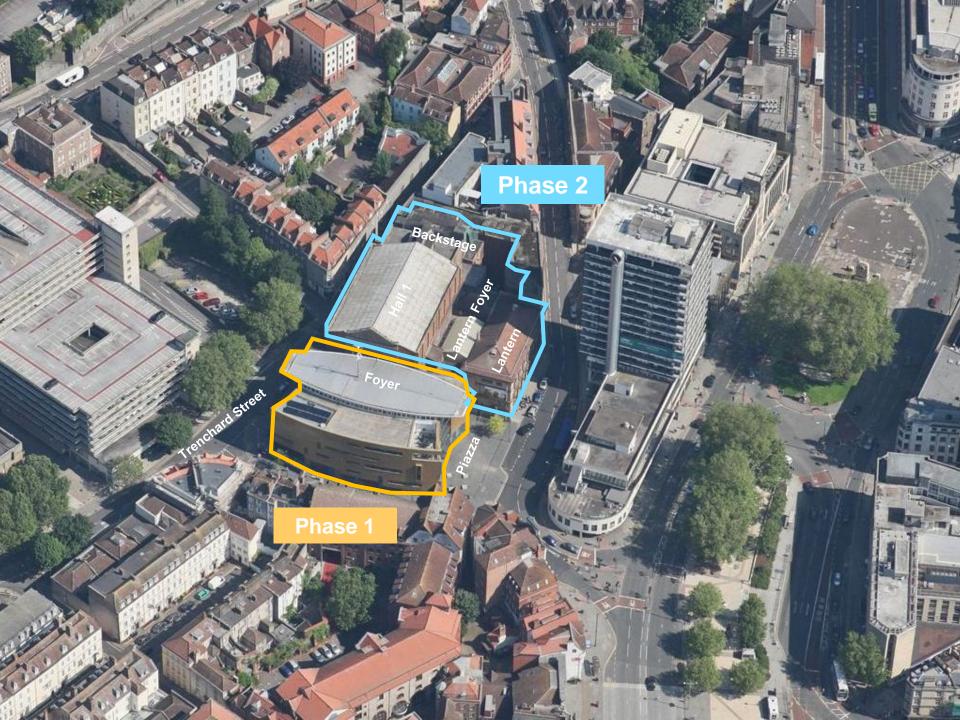


Rolling Stones at the hall in 1964

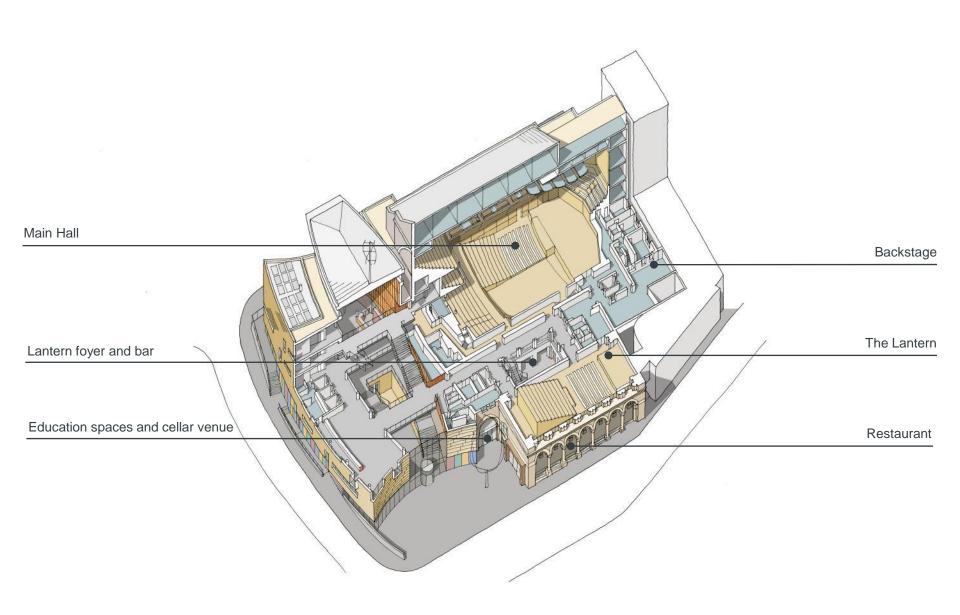






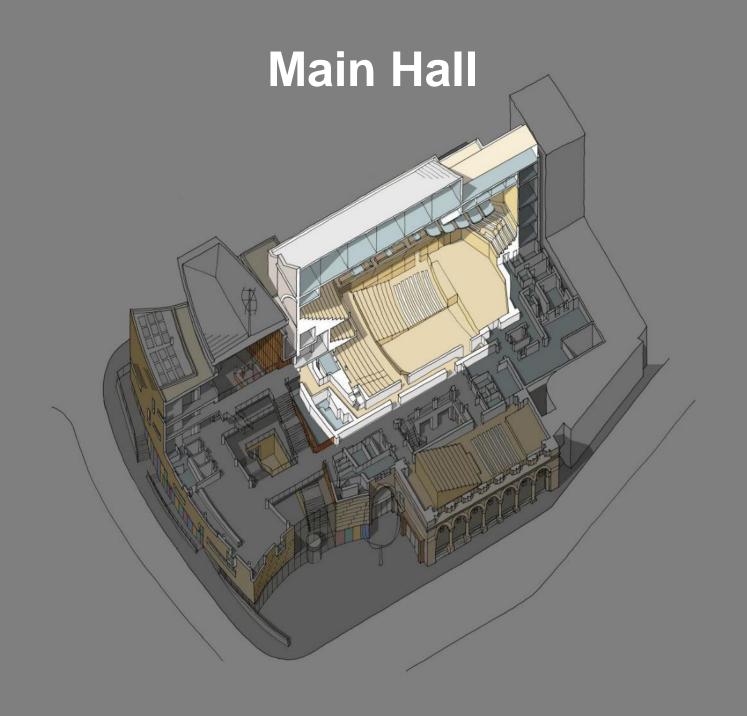


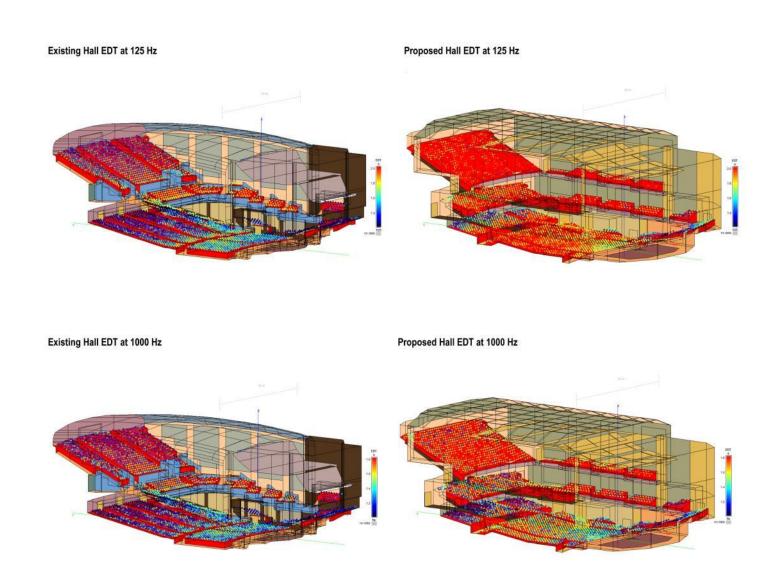
# Tour of Bristol Beacon



Backstage

Stalls and backstage plan



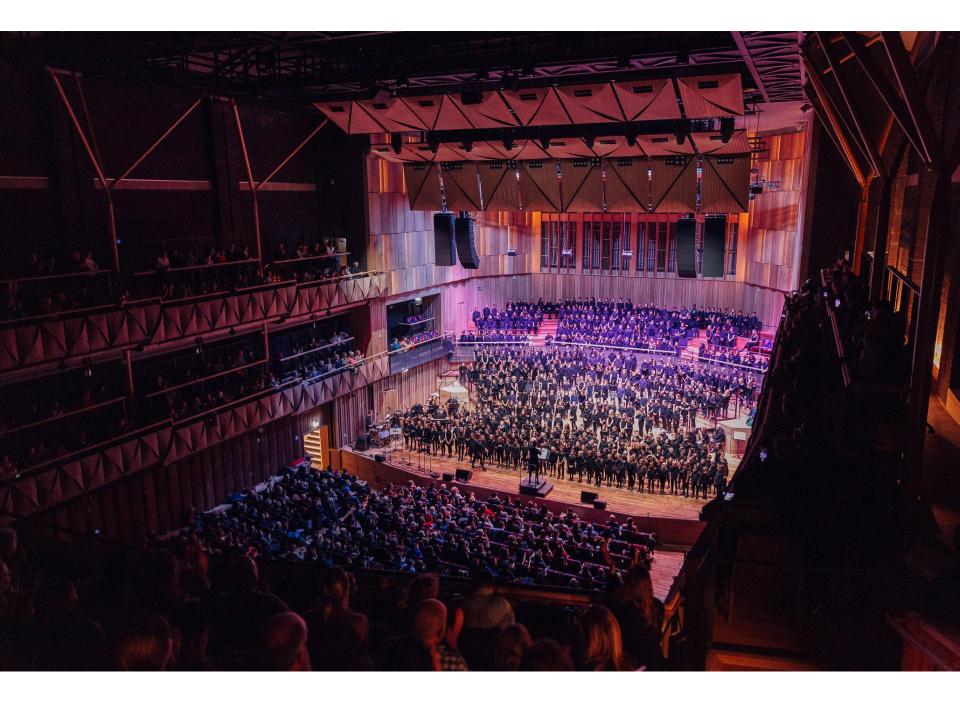


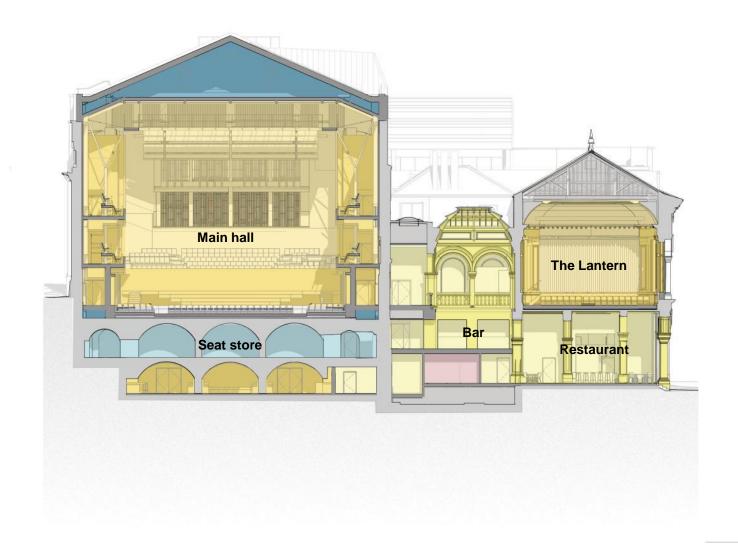
Existing / proposed acoustical modelling





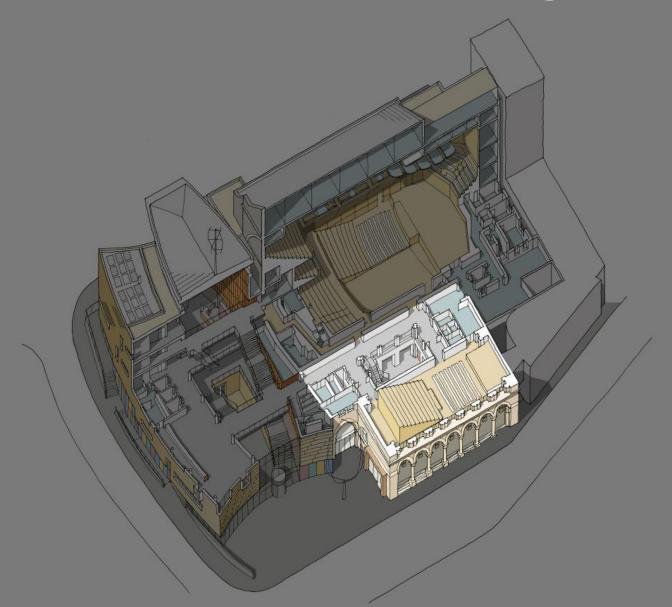


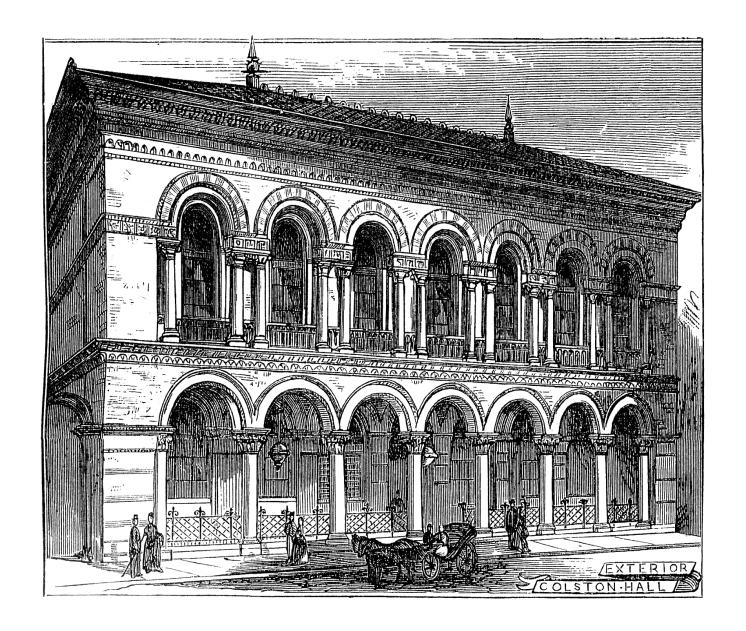




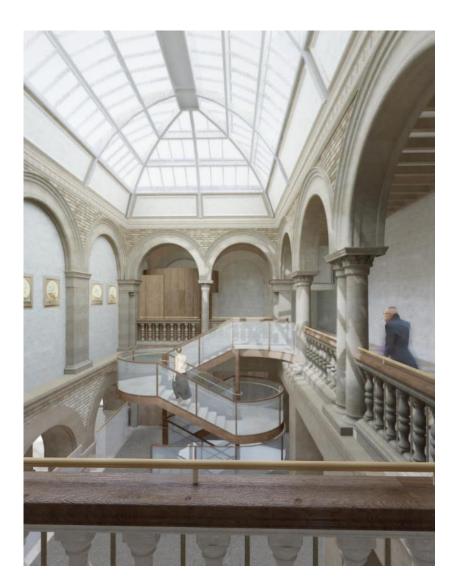
### **Cross section**

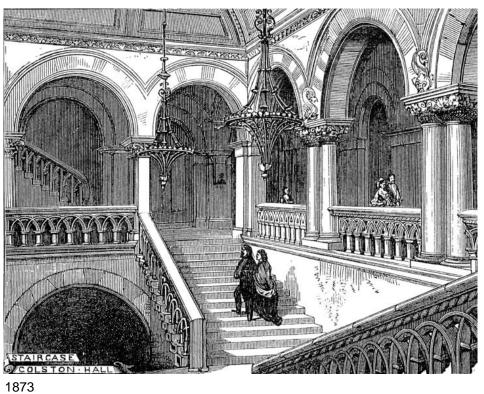
# The Lantern building





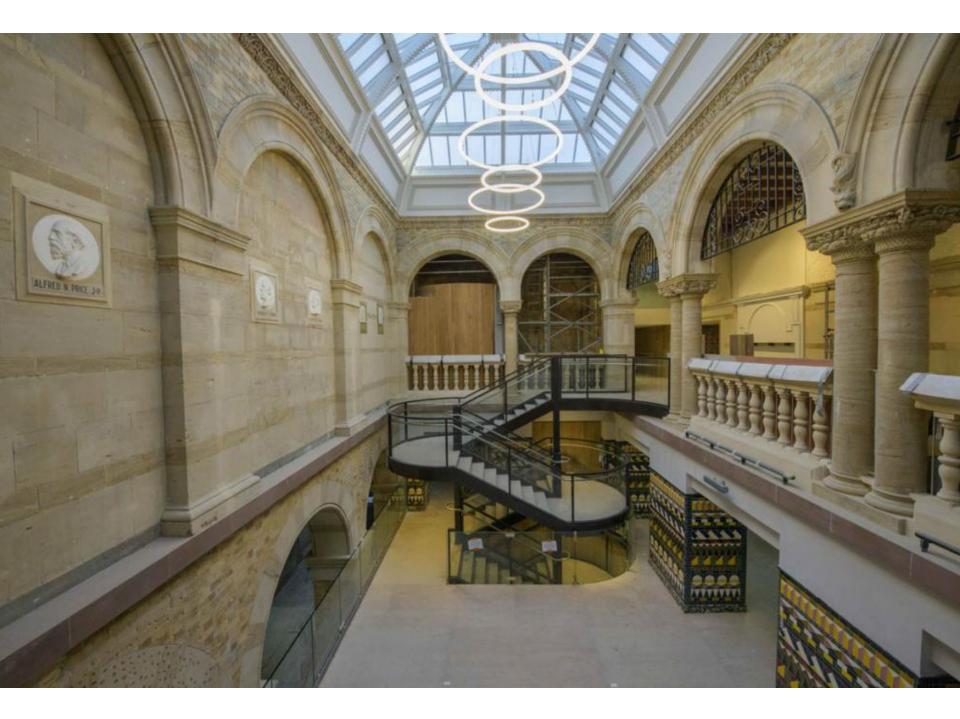






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The Lantern foyer – restoration

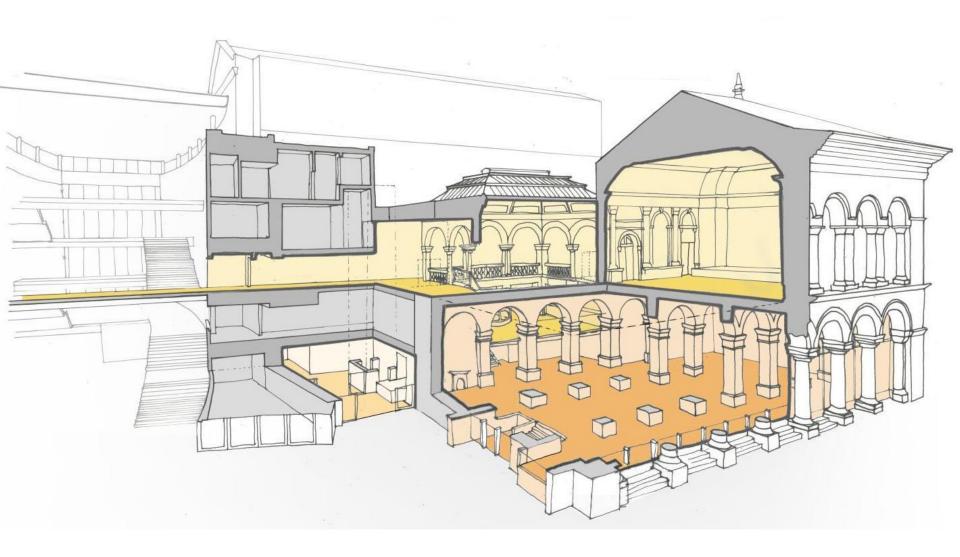








# Restaurant



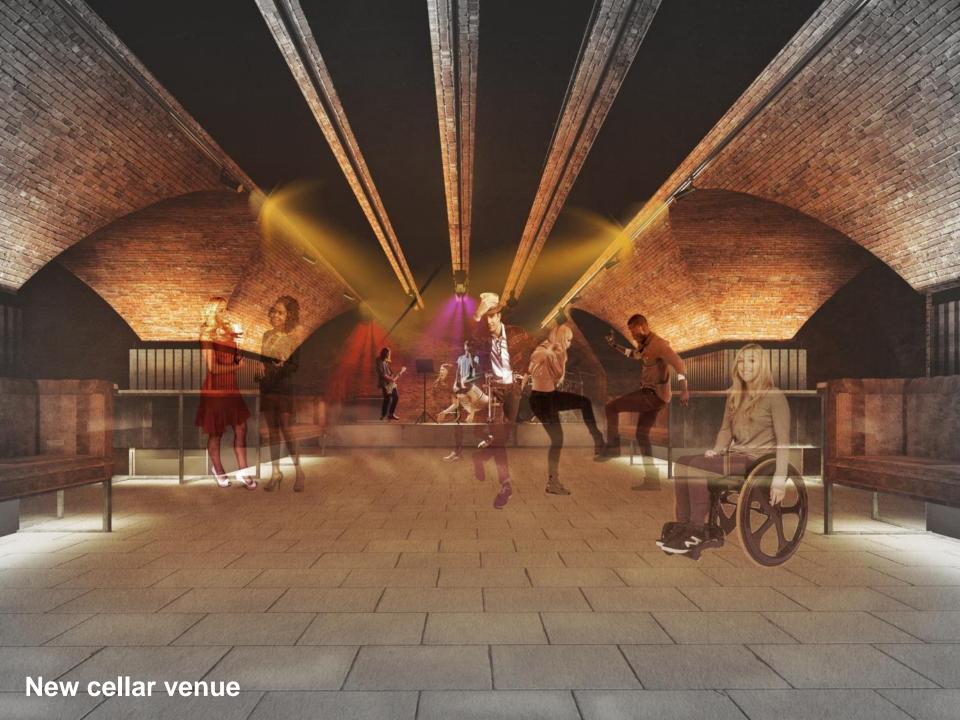
### **Integration of restaurant**







Restaurant, education spaces and cellar venue





## The Refurbishment

- £132m 67% LA, 17% ACE, 9% WECA, 4% NLHF, 3% philanthropy
- Dozens of contractors
- C400 workers and craft artisans
- 5 years reconstruction
- Expecting the unexpected wells, hollow load bearing columns, crumbling external walls, 2 years COVID, etc, etc
- 15 test events
- 6 pieces of Public Art commissioned for the site
- Hall is 6.5 x Olympic swimming pool
- Concrete poured = 1,280 baths
- 120 tonnes birdcage scaffolding erected largest in europe

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