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To: CineworldCityScreen

Subject: Abbeygate Picture House Bury St Edmunds

We were appalled to receive an email suggesting that our much loved local cinema was under threat. It has survived various similar threats over the years but has steadfastly continued to serve the local community of Bury St Edmunds since 1924 and we have all continued to support it and the wonderful staff who have mostly been there for years and know us all. The reason it is so successful and always full is that it attracts a totally different audience from Cineworld - until very recently Cineworld did not venture into the foreign films, arts and music/opera/ballet that attracts so many of us. We were all very worried when Picture House sold out and despite many reassurances that nothing would change we now find that you are trying to close this popular venue down.

You probably do not realise that most of the members are retired and simply do not want to traipse up to the ring road to the noisy rather dirty Cineworld which quite understandably is much more popular with the young. Many of the members live in Central Bury and love the fact that they can walk to the cinema easily and are home without having to get in their cars. For those living in villages outside Bury it is an outing that is looked forward to, an evening of great enjoyment where you are always assured of a good welcome, the chance to have an excellent meal, coffee or drink and are bound to meet some friends or like minded people.

Please PLEASE reconsider and listen to the Members.

Yours

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