

A Cinema for Newmarket

Next steps for the Cinema project need your input and engagement.

The Newmarket Cinema project is due to take its next steps in early 2023.

The Newmarket Charitable Foundation is working with The Jockey Club to explore the feasibility of renovating The Subscription Rooms to become a boutique cinema, in a similar style to the Abbeygate cinema in Bury St Edmunds.

The initial ideas focus on renovating this previous home to The National Horse Racing Museum on the High Street, and providing a small cinema, space for a café and light refreshments. There is also an intention to incorporate co-working business space.

Dr David Hall, Executive Director, Newmarket Charitable Foundation said: "The success of the project depends on securing substantial funding from various heritage funds, including the National Lottery.

To do this, we need to demonstrate engagement and support from across the community, and to launch a process of community questionnaires we plan to hold a major event - installing a 100-seat indoor HGV based mobile cinema from 9th -19th February 2023 on The Severals, which will show a variety of films for all the family".

Chris Peters, Associate Manager of The Moving Cinema added "We're delighted to have the opportunity of bringing our Mobile Cinema to Newmarket and give the good people of the town a quality cinema experience they are currently missing. Our Mobile Cinema is fully heated and air conditioned, with full digital projection and surround sound facilities, and of course is fully accessible. We'll bring a varied programme of mainstream, family and arthouse film titles, as well as showcase some 'Screen Arts' productions from the theatre, opera and ballet world. There will truly be something for everyone!"

If you are interested in getting involved in the feasibility study – simply email Newmarket Charitable Foundation at cinema@newmarketcharity.org.

This mobile cinema project is being run in partnership with The Abbeygate Cinema in Bury St Edmunds.

Further details including the programme and how to book tickets will be released in the coming weeks. Please keep an eye on our website, www.newmarketcharity.org