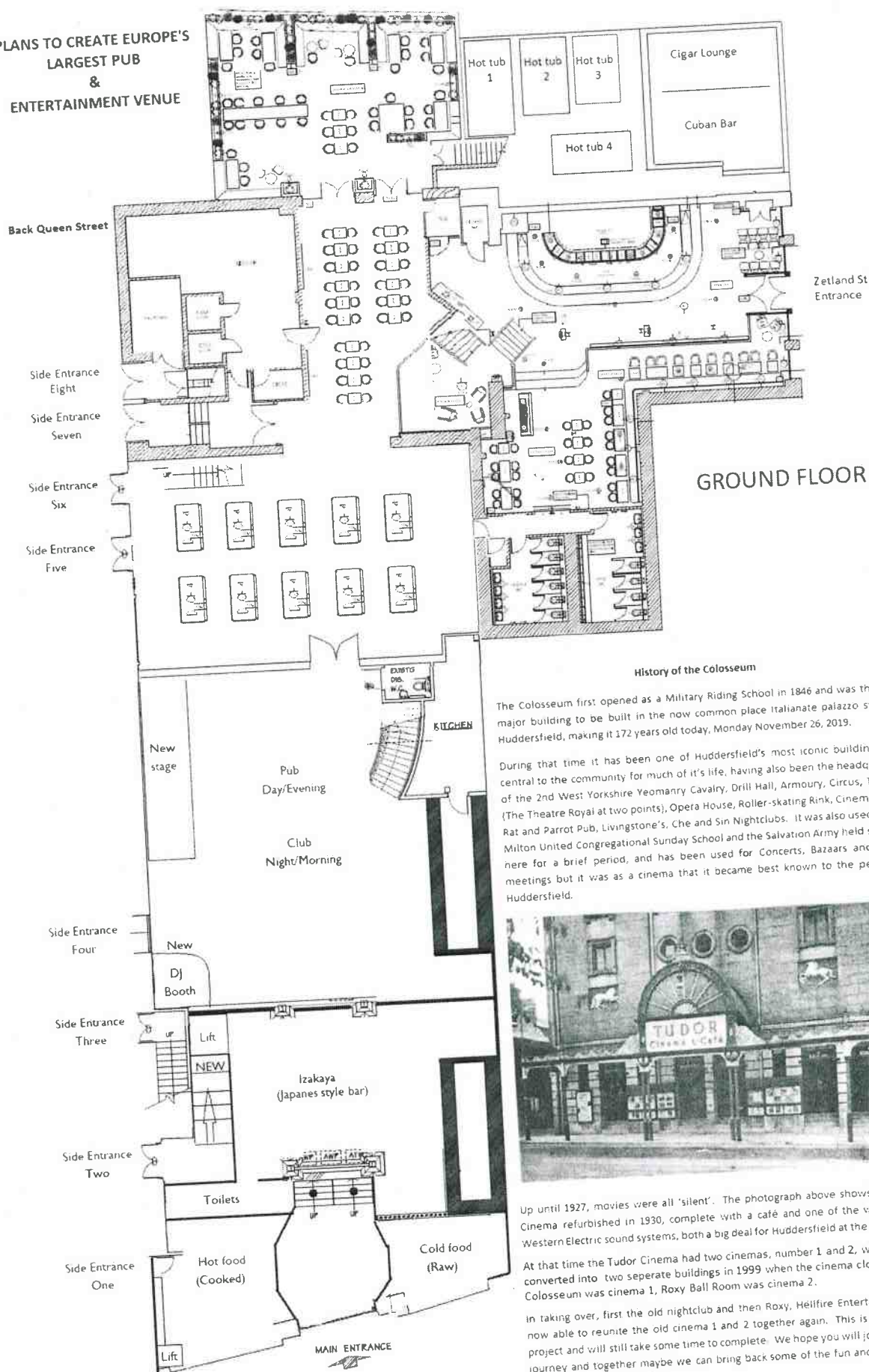


# Plan of entire Estate (The Colosseum, Showtime, Club House)

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## History of the Colosseum

The Colosseum first opened as a Military Riding School in 1846 and was the first major building to be built in the now common place Italianate palazzo style in Huddersfield, making it 172 years old today, Monday November 26, 2019.

During that time it has been one of Huddersfield's most iconic buildings and central to the community for much of it's life, having also been the headquarters of the 2nd West Yorkshire Yeomanry Cavalry, Drill Hall, Armoury, Circus, Theatre (The Theatre Royal at two points), Opera House, Roller-skating Rink, Cinema, Cafe, Rat and Parrot Pub, Livingstone's, Che and Sin Nightclubs. It was also used by the Milton United Congregational Sunday School and the Salvation Army held services here for a brief period, and has been used for Concerts, Bazaars and Public meetings but it was as a cinema that it became best known to the people of Huddersfield.



Up until 1927, movies were all 'silent'. The photograph above shows the Tudor Cinema refurbished in 1930, complete with a cafe and one of the world's first Western Electric sound systems, both a big deal for Huddersfield at the time.

At that time the Tudor Cinema had two cinemas, number 1 and 2, which were converted into two separate buildings in 1999 when the cinema closed. The Colosseum was cinema 1, Roxy Ball Room was cinema 2.

In taking over, first the old nightclub and then Roxy, Hellfire Entertainment are now able to reunite the old cinema 1 and 2 together again. This is a significant project and will still take some time to complete. We hope you will join us on this journey and together maybe we can bring back some of the fun and excitement that once lit up this building.