

Dawn Bowden MS

Deputy Minister for Arts and Sport and Chief Whip

Welsh Government

Dyddiad | Date: 26 November 2021

Pwnc | Subject: National Contemporary Art Gallery and National Football Museum

Dear Dawn,

The Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport and International Relations Committee asked the National Museum Wales and the Arts Council for Wales for an update on progress on the delivery of the plans for the National Contemporary Art Gallery at a meeting on 10 November.

I note that the then Deputy Minister for Culture, Sport and Tourism said in a statement published in December 2020:

Following the conclusions of the initial feasibility study for the contemporary art gallery in July 2018, carried out in partnership with the Arts Council of Wales and Amgueddfa Cymru, the Rural Office for Architecture (ROA) was commissioned to carry out an initial high level impact assessment and risk position for each venue identified on the select list.

The ROA is now conducting more detailed work and a final report is due in February.

Can you please confirm whether or not the final report was received from the ROA in February 2021? Please can you outline the next steps following the receipt of this report. The Committee would like to see a delivery schedule for the project which sets out the major delivery milestones and dates by which they will be achieved. Please can you confirm when such a delivery schedule will be finalised?

The Committee would also be grateful for an update on the progress of the National Football Museum. Please can you provide an update of the recruitment of staff to progress the project and the deliberations of the Steering Group on the recommendations in the business plan, as well as a delivery schedule for this project?

In order to inform the work of the Committee, please can you provide this update by 22 December 2021.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Delyth Jewell'.

Delyth Jewell AS

Chair

Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, International Relations and Sport Committee



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