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Dear Delyth

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Thank you for your further letter of 26 November 2021 with some further queries

Ministerial responsibilities

In terms of responsibilities which fall within the Committee's remit, broadly the Deputy Minister for Arts and Sport, and Chief Whip leads on Culture, Sport and the remit of Cadw and Creative Wales.

Remit letters

Welsh Government Sponsored Bodies in the Deputy Minister's portfolio have had sight of, and the opportunity to comment on early drafts of the Remit Letter. In preparing the letters, we have maintained a 'no surprises' approach, emphasising the need for the bodies to be planning against the published Programme for Government.

The Remit Letters are now ready, and progressing through final clearances and translation before they are issued to the sponsored bodies. Once the letters have been issued, we will forward copies to the Committee.

Culture Strategy

We remain committed to engaging with the arts, culture and heritage sectors to develop a new culture strategy, a priority explicitly set out in the Programme for Government update in December 2021. This will set the framework for our priorities going forward and how we will sustain and develop the sectors. Work on updated cultural priorities was paused during the pandemic to focus resources on the response to Coronavirus. When the initial Programme for Government was published, the Deputy Minister agreed that work to develop a new

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culture strategy should wait until public health conditions had improving sufficiently, to allow it to be taken forward as a priority in 2022.

Officials are currently considering options for the scope of the new strategy, set in the context of the updated Programme for Government and recovery from the pandemic, considering the extent to which we can build on the work undertaken previously as we move forward. We will be grateful for the views of the Committee in due course.

We hope that you will find this additional information helpful.

Yours sincerely,



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