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Robert Wilson

Creative Scotland Chair

CC: Iain Munro: Chief Executive Creative Scotland

## REIN Funding decision

21 May 2024

Dear Robert,

I note that Creative Scotland has, through FOI response, released the application form received in relation to funding for the REIN project from the open fund.

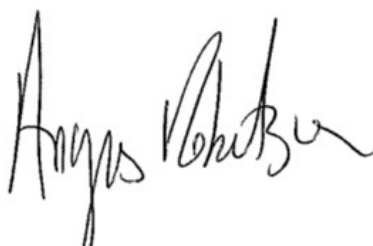
Reporting of this application contradicts assurances that we have offered to the Culture Committee of the Scottish Parliament in March by Creative Scotland.

As I stated in the Scottish Parliament in March Creative Scotland's decision to fund the REIN project concerned me, and I welcomed your decision to withdraw the funding for this project.

My officials have now had the opportunity to review the information contained within the application following its release. I am deeply concerned that this project was awarded funding, as the application clearly includes details about the sexual nature of the project. I am as concerned that it can now be construed that in responses to inquiries on the matter in March, Creative Scotland does not appear to have been entirely transparent.

I believe an urgent, in-person, conversation with you and Iain Munro is necessary to understand how the current position has transpired, and how confidence in the organisation can be restored. I am available at 14.10 tomorrow, on Wednesday 22 May, and I hope that you can be available to discuss this further.

Yours sincerely



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