Submission from PACT

Many thanks for the opportunity to provide comments before your evidence session next week. We thought at the time that the report included some very useful analysis and recommendations.

If you are questioning Creative Scotland then we would particularly interested in an update as to their appraisal of how they are progressing with a growth strategy for the TV sector in particular:

The Committee is concerned that despite Creative Scotland’s recently published 10-year strategic plan for the arts and screen industries there appears to be a lack of strategy for supporting and growing the TV sector. The Committee recommends that Creative Scotland works with the industry to develop a clear financial and business strategy to grow Scotland’s independent TV sector. (paragraph 117)

And also any update from them on how they are progressing with developing the animation sector in Scotland:

The Committee recommends that Creative Scotland undertakes a review of the animation industry, to gain an understanding of the support it requires to grow, and includes representatives from the industry in the membership of the Digital Media Leadership Group, and any film industry leadership group, once established. (paragraph 93)

Will you be having a separate session with the broadcasters? We would be particularly interested in an update from their point of view on the two recommendations that are directed towards broadcasters and commissioners in the report.

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