Dear Fiona,

1 June 2020

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT’S RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Thank you for your evidence to the Committee on 21 May 2020. The Committee welcomes the offer in your earlier letter of 24 April 2020 to keep us informed with monthly written updates on the measures being taken by the Scottish Government in response to Covid-19.

We would find it helpful if these written updates could provide a break-down of the Scottish Government’s sector-specific initiatives within your culture portfolio.

In particular, the Committee would be interested to understand the work that is being done to support cultural stakeholders to become operational again in line with social distancing requirements, including the development and publication of relevant sector-specific guidance.

The Committee would also be interested in the timetable, or sequencing, in which you expect different cultural venues to be reopened (such as cinemas, museums, theatres, live music venues etc.) and the factors that will determine when and how this can occur.

Yours sincerely,

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