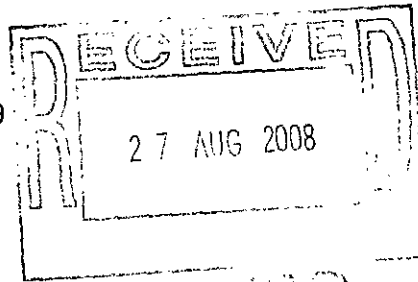


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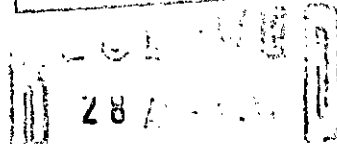


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Dear Val,

Thank you for your letter of 4 August 2008, regarding the petition considered by the Petitions Committee on the Wyeside Arts Centre.

I am aware of the current financial difficulties facing the Centre, and that the Arts Council has been working with the Centre, together with other funding partners, to try and address the current situation. I understand that the Arts Council has had encouraging discussions with the Centre over recent months and is continuing to work with them to try and address the future financial viability of the Centre.

As Heritage Minister, in accordance with the arms-length funding principle, it would not be appropriate for me to intervene directly in the individual funding decisions of the Arts Council. I would however encourage both the Centre and the Arts Council to continue their discussions to try and identify a way forward.

*Yours sincerely,
Alun Ffred Jones*

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