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Pennaeth Cronfa Dreftadaeth y Loteri, Cymru

14 Ionawr 2019

Annwyl Richard,

### **Archif Ddarlledu Genedlaethol i Gymru**

Mae'r Pwyllgor Diwylliant, y Gymraeg a Chyfathrebu wedi bod yn trafod cais Llyfrgell Genedlaethol Cymru am gyllid gan Gronfa Dreftadaeth y Loteri ar gyfer Archif Ddarlledu Genedlaethol i Gymru.

Yn ein cyfarfod ar 6 Rhagfyr 2018, buom yn trafod y cais â Rhodri Glyn Thomas, Llywydd Llyfrgell Genedlaethol Cymru, a Linda Tomos, y Llyfrgellydd Cenedlaethol. Dywedasant wrthym eu bod yn gobeithio cymeradwyo'r cais yn eu cyfarfod Bwrdd ym mis Chwefror. Fel y gwyddoch, mae'r cais yn dibynnu ar ymrwymiad ariannol o £1 filiwn gan Lywodraeth Cymru.

Cawsom y cyfle i drafod y cais â'r Arglwydd Dafydd Elis-Thomas AC, y Dirprwy Weinidog Diwylliant, Chwaraeon a Thwristiaeth, ar 10 Ionawr 2019. Dywedodd fod rhai materion gyda'r Achos Busnes nad ydynt wedi'u datrys eto.

Mae'r Pwyllgor yn awyddus i sicrhau bod Cymru yn elwa ar £5 miliwn o gyllid y Loteri ac yn sicrhau adnodd gwerthfawr i'r Llyfrgell. Rydym yn deall bod pwysau i sicrhau cyllid yr CDL yn ystod y flwyddyn ariannol hon oherwydd y disgwylir y bydd y polisi ar gefnogi ceisiadau o'r maint hwn yn newid. Yn ystod y cyfarfod hwnnw, awgrymwyd y bydd llawer llai o grantiau mawr yn cael eu gwneud o fis Ebrill 2019 ymlaen.

Byddai'n ein helpu i ddeall y mater hwn, a natur y pwysau amser sy'n ei ddwysáu, os gallwch gadarnhau y bydd eich polisi cyllido'n newid yn ystod y flwyddyn ariannol nesaf.

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**Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru**

Y Pwyllgor Diwylliant, y Gymraeg a Chyfathrebu

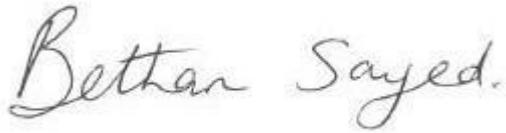
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Gan ymddiheuro am y byr rybudd, a fyddai modd i chi ymateb erbyn 25 Ionawr 2019? Mater byw yw hyn i'n Haelodau sy'n poeni am y risg i'r prosiect unigryw hwn a fyddai'n golygu bod hanes cymdeithasol pobl Cymru ar gael iddynt allu ei weld.

Yn gywir,



Bethan Sayed

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Bethan Sayed  
Chair of the Culture, Welsh Language & Communications Committee  
National Assembly for Wales

25<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Dear Bethan,

### **National Broadcast Archive for Wales**

Towards the end of January 2019 the Heritage Lottery Fund will begin a new, five-year Strategic Funding Framework that sets out how we will distribute National Lottery good causes money for heritage. In addition, the UK Government has recently published its Tailored Review of our performance. It recommended new ways of working, including simplifying our grant giving processes and operating even more efficiently, getting the most value from National Lottery funding.

This year 2018-2019 is a transitional year and we have begun to simplify our grant programme portfolio ahead of the new Strategic Funding Framework. Last November we announced that Heritage Grants and Heritage Enterprise programmes would close to new applications in mid-August as we prepare to open the new Strategic Funding Framework in late January 2019. These programmes are now closed with the exception of second round applications from applicants holding first round passes as is the case with the award made to the National Library of Wales for the National Broadcast Archive for Wales.

In late January 2019, as we publish our new Strategic Funding Framework, we will open our new funding portfolio. This will be a simpler and more flexible funding offer, with a single open programme for all types of heritage project, with new resources and digital guidance on our website to support applicants. We will continue to offer grants from £3000 to £5million, with proportionate processes and requirements at different levels.

We will strongly encourage applications for projects that will engage a wider range of people with heritage, and also welcome the types of projects we previously supported through targeted programmes, such as those focusing on landscapes or parks, engaging young people, or increasing the resilience of heritage organisations, through the new open programme. We expect strong competition at all levels of grant and will introduce a new Expression of Interest stage for larger grants (over £250,000) to give an early steer on whether you are invited to apply.

The expression of interest has been introduced in response to feedback received as part of our recent consultation. Increased competition, for grant requests between £2million to £5million has resulted in a drop in the number of awards the Heritage Lottery Fund has been able to make at this level. Applicants therefore requested that they received an earlier indication of the likelihood of success of any potential submission for funding before time and resources were committed to the task of putting together a full application.

In response to lower levels of income generated by the National Lottery, the Trustees of the Heritage Lottery Fund made the decision to protect, as far as possible, the funding budgets dedicated to the Country and regional committees across the UK who make decisions on grants between £3,000 and £2million. The budget for grants between £2million to £5million decided by the UK Board of Trustees therefore has been the level that has seen the greatest increase in competition.

To provide context, when the National Library of Wales was awarded a First Round Pass of £4,751,000 in March 2017 towards the cost of developing a National Broadcast Archive for Wales, the UK annual budget available for awards of this size was £178million. In this financial year 2018 - 2019 the available budget was £85million. Whilst we are committed to retaining the ability to make awards up to £5 million over the course of the next five years of our next Strategic Funding Framework, it will be increasingly challenging for projects to secure that level of funding in the future within the realities of our budgets.

That said, over the next five years, we expect to invest around £1.2 billion in the UK's heritage. The Trustees of the Heritage Lottery Fund are committed to Wales receiving its proportionally fair share of this investment. This is a huge opportunity to build on the past 25 years of achievement, and a great responsibility. Our ambition for the money raised by National Lottery players is to inspire, lead and resource the UK's heritage to create positive and lasting change for people and communities.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Bellamy', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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