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Dear Carol Thomas

Freedom of Information Request (Ref: RFI2016004)

Thank you for your request received on 29 March 2016 for the information listed below. We have responded to each area, in their original order.

Can you please provide a copy of the grant application submitted by WCBC for the Arts Hub in Wrexham town centre and the grant assessment/due diligence assessment undertaken by ACW in awarding the £2.4 million.

Please find attached a copy of the Capital Application from WCBC, together with our Project Officer Report. Please note, the value of the grant applied for is £2.3 million. The appendices noted on the application are not supplied under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act. These are published on WCBC website, examples of which may be found at http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/top-navigation/search/index.htm?q=hub

Copies of the grant offer letter and the Terms and Conditions

Copies of these are attached. The value of the grant applied for, and offered, is £2.3 million.

At the time of writing WCBC are in the process of considering our offer and we have not yet received their signed acceptance.

The offer letter contains a number of conditions of grant which aim to address points raised within the assessment report. Arts Council will continue to work with WCBC throughout the process to assist in addressing these conditions and ensure a successful outcome

Confirmation when the full £2.4 million has been signed off and the confirmation that ACW has signed off £120k annual management fee to WCBC for the next town years.

The Arts Council of Wales has not 'signed off' the £120k 'management fee'. At the present time WCBC are not members of the Arts Portfolio Wales and therefore do not receive an agreed

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annual programme of funding. They will continue to make applications for Lottery funding towards their programme of activity.

Copy of the viability assessment undertaken by ACW to assess this application.

This consideration forms part of our overall assessment, which is attached under our response to the earlier question above.

If I can be of any more assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Yours sincerely,

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