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Dear Delyth,

Thank you for your correspondence of 28 November about Rubicon Dance. My officials have been working closely with officers at Arts Council of Wales (ACW) since the issue came to light at the end of September.

As an existing member of ACW's Arts Portfolio Wales it was awarded £196,743 for the 2022/23 financial year. Rubicon has been successful in negotiations with its other funders and has also secured new funding allowing them to continue with its work.

Following legal advice, and in consideration of Rubicon's success in securing financial support from other key funding partners, ACW agreed to release the remainder of the funds for this year in advance rather than via the usual quarterly instalments. Rubicon has now received the two quarter payments for Oct-Dec and Jan- Apr.

ACW has been, and will remain, in continued and regular discussion with the Trustees regarding the current situation. ACW is considering potential options for how else it might be able to help the organisation to bring in some interim support in leadership and finance to assist it through the coming months and will continue to explore this with Rubicon.

Yours sincerely,

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