

**Arts Council England**



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Dear David,

Following our communication regarding Motionhouse and the recent events, this letter is to confirm our ongoing support to the company. We welcome the idea that the company has been considered for relocation to Leamington Spa Town Hall and we would like to see that confirmed in due course. We indeed value the support that the District Council has offered to the organisation at this time.

Motionhouse receives regular funding from the Arts Council as a National Portfolio Organisation (NPO) and as such has a funding agreement with us until March 2022, the company receives a grant of £468,806 per year. Motionhouse is an important organisation for Arts Council England, the company greatly contributes to the delivery of our goals and mission of "Great Art for Everyone".

We recognise that Motionhouse is one of the most celebrated touring dance companies locally, nationally and internationally. Arts Council's longstanding relationship with the company corroborates the validity of the work that the company produces and tours. We also value the organisation's enormous contribution to the region, their engagement with the local community and the work delivered with children and young people. The company has an excellent track record of compliance with Arts Council's processes and with the delivery of its highly acclaimed national and international programme of work.

Motionhouse take high quality productions made in the Leamington Spa around the world. This contributes to the global reputation of the UK as a centre for excellence in the arts. The company is celebrated and widely recognised as pioneers in the use of digital and performance and generously contribute to talent development in the sector.

Motionhouse has a strong, flexible business model, which enables the company to respond to opportunities and reach new audiences and participants with their work. The company is currently governed by an experienced and strong board of trustees.

In 2018/19 more than 143,000 people saw the company's work and their community work in the local area and the UK, offers life-changing opportunities to people of all abilities and all ages.

We hope that the relocation is soon confirmed and with this that our relationship with both Motionhouse and Warwick District Council continues in a meaningful and fruitful way for the benefit of the arts and the local community.

Regards



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