



Bristol Film Office & Bristol UNESCO City of Film
Bristol Museum & Art Gallery
Queens Road
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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to offer my support to Indie Club's response to the Ofcom consultation on the 'Review of Regional TV Production and Programming Guidance'.

Having consulted with production personnel living in Bristol and across the wider South West region for many years, I am well aware of the issues concerning local employment and the pull of London when it comes to regular and reliable production employment. I welcome the proposed amendments to the guidance. A more robust regulatory framework and regular monitoring and evaluation of clear targets to promote an overall aim of increasing and supporting production activity outside London is essential to the sustainability of production employment in regions like the South West.

Bristol, like many other UK cities, works hard to support the development of indigenous production companies and attract film and TV programmes to the city in order to create employment opportunities and build on the local talent and infrastructure. Our decision to bid to become designated UNESCO City of Film was, in part, a response to concerns raised by local production personnel about the diminishing availability of local employment opportunities. Despite Bristol's success at securing production activity to the city, we still aren't seeing enough 'senior' production roles offered locally. We need more ongoing commissions apportioned outside of London to offer local personnel regular, secure local employment. The proposed amendments and further steps suggested by Indie Club, including the monitoring of outcomes and progress, are necessary to tackle these issues and I look forward to hearing the outcomes of the consultation.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Natalie Moore".

Natalie Moore
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