



**Letter of Support for WE Irish and Lamplighter Arts CIC:  
St Patricks Day Parade, 2024**

I am writing in support of WE Irish application to the National Lottery to deliver their St Patricks day Parade 2024.

I worked with their collaborators, Lamplighter Arts CIC through the Culture & Events programme funded by the City Centre & High Street Economic Recovery and Renewal Programme funded by Bristol City Council and West of England Combined Authority's Love Our High Streets project on 3 separate projects during 2022 and 2023. The projects all involved bringing community engaged and created lantern parade / glow projects to the City Centre and 2 of Bristol's priority high streets and communities, designed to reconnect people with community and places following the pandemic, reinvigorating high streets and giving meaning and purpose to place.

Lamplighter Arts CIC have ensured artistic excellence and a professional, innovative approach and managed the range of community relationships necessary to ensure locally distinctive outcomes with real meaning for participants and communities.

A grant from the National Lottery will enable WE Irish and Lamplighter Arts CIC to deliver a high quality and diverse, community engaged project in the city centre.

Yours faithfully,

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