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STATEMENT FROM RAMBERT CEO HELEN SHUTE ON ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND'S 2018 – 2022 NPO ANNOUNCEMENT

'We are very pleased with this morning's announcement that we are to be part of Arts Council England's national portfolio for 2018 – 2022, and delighted to have secured the full amount of funding we applied for.

'The Arts Council's investment of almost £9million over the next four years will ensure that Rambert can produce work to the very highest standards and bring world-class dance to every part of the UK. 80% of Rambert's work happens outside of London and we will build on this by developing long-term partnerships with venues, cities and regions across the country. We'll reach audiences in the hundreds of thousands, and match that number with people of all ages, nationwide, taking part in dance activities.

'We have ambitious plans for the future, and the continued support of Arts Council England is a great vote of confidence in our potential to achieve more success. We also know that it gives us a responsibility to work with our colleagues in dance – both inside and outside of the national portfolio – to ensure that artists, audiences and participants alike, from every background, have the richest possible opportunities to engage with this art form in the coming years."

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