



ARCHIVES UNLOCKED

DELIVERING THE VISION

The vision for archives

Archives will strengthen society through the trust they inspire, the enrichment they offer and their openness to all. We will be the home of world-leading archives, both digital and physical. People will be able to find and navigate collections, and have confidence that reliable archival evidence exists to support their research. Our collections will reflect all of society, so that, whether an individual, community or organisation, archives can tell us who we are and how we got here.



Action Plan

Ambitions for the archives sector:

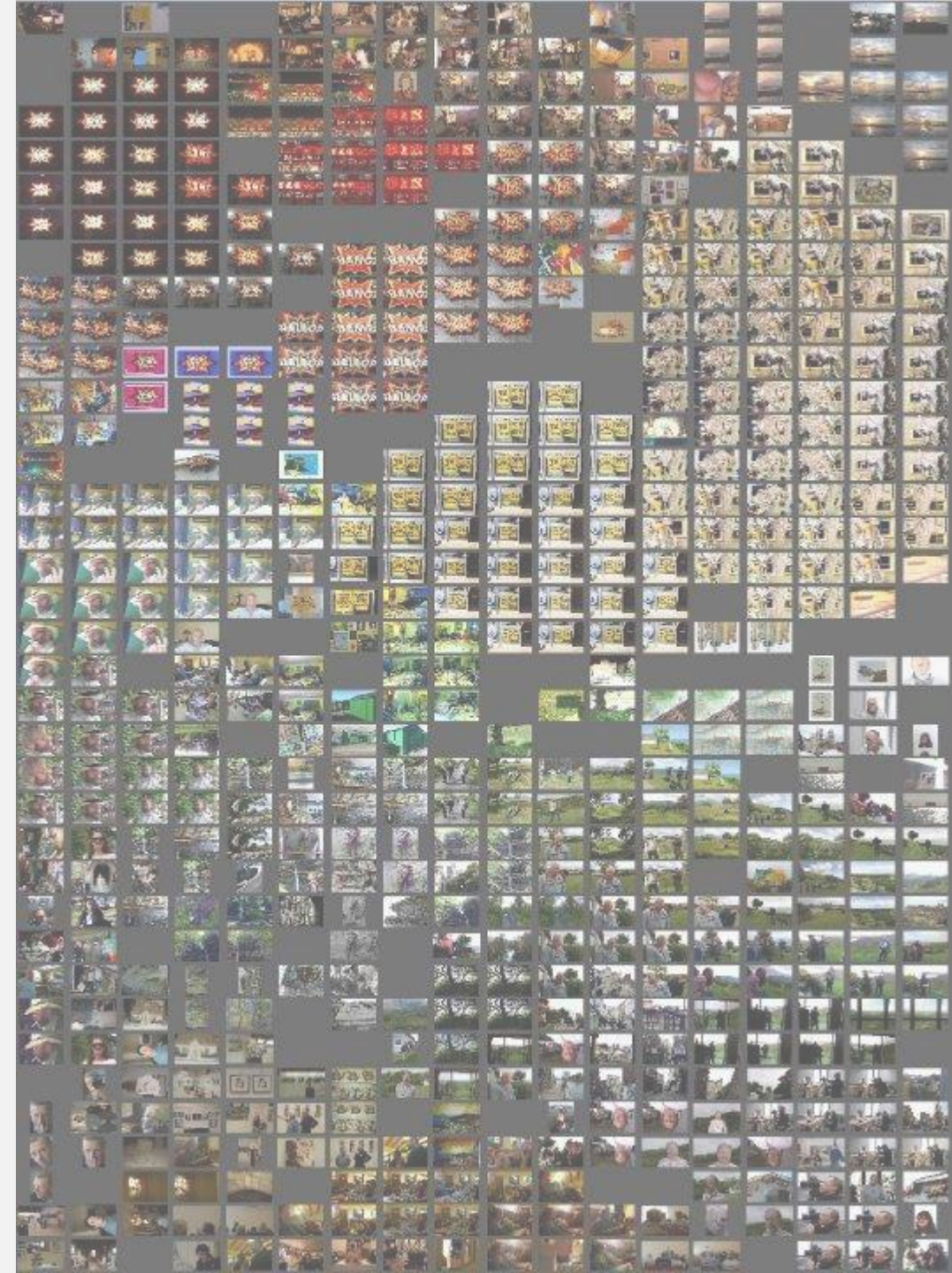
- Trust
- Enrichment
- Openness



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To achieve the ambitions of the vision we will focus on:

- Digital Capacity
- Building Resilience
- Demonstrating Impact



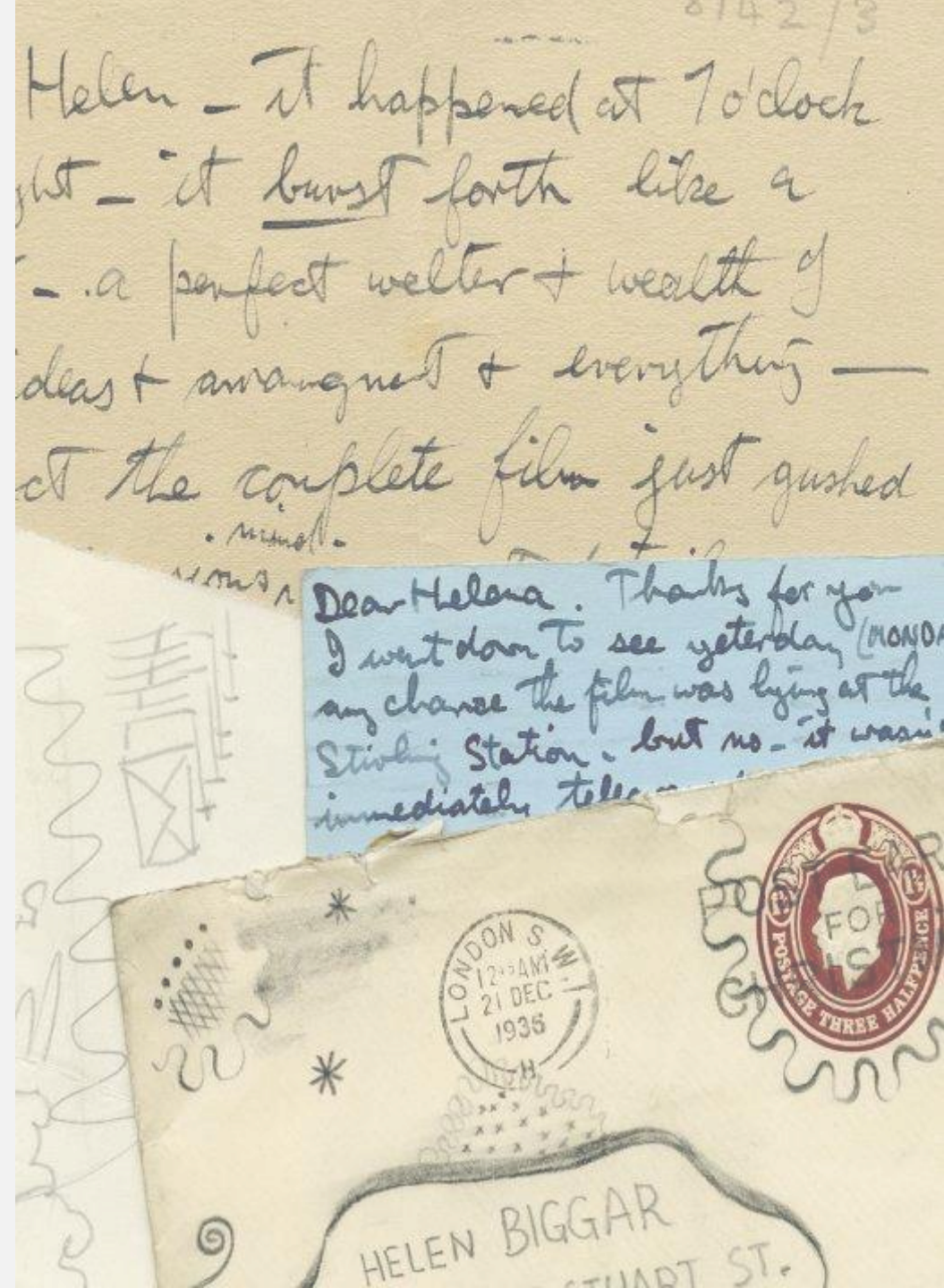
Archives and Wellbeing

- Archives and Wellbeing featured in Archives Unlocked
- Important part of our strategies for the future
- Fits with our thematic strands, and mainly into the impact workstream



How do archives affect wellbeing

- 5 ways to wellbeing – think, give, connect, take notice, be active
- Archives make us think
- Also help us connect and have a sense of belonging
- Governance and trust in collective institutions also implicated in wellbeing



Wellbeing in policy

- Governments increasingly interested in GDP+ models
- New Zealand introducing wellbeing measures into national policy-making
- Former Cabinet Secretary Gus O'Donnell key figure behind the movement in UK



How it affects archives

- Archives split between information and cultural realms
- Cultural has greatest pull with public, but information role seen as more important



Future possibilities

- Wellbeing has potential to transform the cultural role of archives
- May also influence spending decisions in future
- For archives to explore this and make the case

