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When calling or telephoning please ask for: **Mr Ross Johnston**

Dear Mr Barnard,

I am writing on behalf of the Plymouth Local Access Forum.

For sometime we have been struggling to get a forward grip on planning issues. All too often, I'm afraid, we are able only to react to published planning requests.

The forum feel it would be most beneficial were we able to be more pro-active. (With much building works in progress many convenient paths are disappearing, including some cycle ways). We would like to discuss our role in helping to preserve open spaces, footpaths and public rights of way for Plymouth.

We have many questions we would like to ask of the planners, but more specifically, how can we get involved as a statutory Committee and especially in relation to the proposed changes to the planning process.

We understand some of the complexities of process but would be obliged if a member of the Planning Directorate would liaise with us and come and talk at one of our regular meetings.

Yours Sincerely

Mr. Ian Stewart
Vice-Chair of the Plymouth Local Access Forum

cc. Anthony Payne, Director for Development and Regeneration