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Cllr Chris Penberthy
Portfolio Holder for Co-operatives, Housing and Community Safety
And Chair of the Plymouth Community Safety Partnership
Civic Centre
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Dear Chris

I am delighted to be able to send you the final report of the Plymouth Fairness Commission, with our recommendations to make Plymouth a fairer city. We have made both national and local recommendations in our report and we hope that you will be able to endorse them.

You will know that the Plymouth Fairness Commission was set up as an independent Commission in April 2013. With members drawn from the police, schools, higher education, health, businesses, charities, social enterprises, communities and faith organisations, our remit was to find ways to tackle inequalities in the city.

We began with a statistical review and a city-wide Call for Evidence, and spent the summer of 2013 meeting over 1000 Plymouth residents, business owners, academics and community groups to find out what they thought was fair and unfair about the city. We used these findings to shape our final recommendations which we believe are key to creating the conditions for fairness in Plymouth.

We know that achieving greater fairness in our city will not happen overnight, but it is a process that many organisations and individuals in Plymouth have already started. We hope that our recommendations will give fresh emphasis to working more collaboratively and constructively on this important agenda.

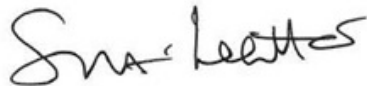
While the Community Safety Partnership was not named in the report, I invite the partnership to commit to delivering the recommendations the Fairness Commission has made with particular reference to alcohol and domestic abuse. We would appreciate, by

the end of July 2014, your initial outline of activities and likely timeframe for their achievement.

Your intentions will be published on our website and covered by local media, and will form the basis for discussion when the Commission meets again in 2015 to review progress.

In the meantime, many of the Fairness Commissioners have agreed to act as a critical friend for any organisation or partnership involved in the delivery of our fairness recommendations. Please do contact the Plymouth Fairness Commission Secretariat if you would like clarification of any recommendation, or wish to take up the offer of support from Fairness Commissioners.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Suzi Leather". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dame Suzi Leather
Chair, Plymouth Fairness Commission