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Dear

**Re: Petition – Report back on progress of the development of a Youth Space in Cope Street, Coventry City Centre and progress in relation to work with Coventry Youth Council**

I refer to the above petition which you supported and write to inform you that a progress report was considered by the Cabinet Member (Community Safety and Equalities) at his meeting held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2012.

At that meeting, Councillor Townshend considered the issues contained in the report and matters raised at the meeting and the Cabinet Member:-

- (1) Noted the progress made with regards to the youth space since the official opening.
- (2) Endorsed plans for further improvements to the youth space to ensure the provision of additional security and youth facilities.
- (3) Requested that the Head of Parks and Open Spaces prepare some additional landscape planting proposals for Lady Herbert's Gardens for Summer/Autumn 2012 in liaison with West Midlands Police and to liaise with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Parks with regards to the funding for this.
- (4) Requested the Service Manager for Sports and Arts to prepare as a matter of urgency, in liaison with appropriate City Council employees, West Midlands Police and residents, where appropriate, a pilot scheme for skate boards and related activities in the City Centre, and in particular, the possibility of holding a display in the area outside the Transport Museum.



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- (5) The Assistant Director (Public Safety and Housing) in liaison with West Midlands Police, be requested to arrange a visit to the Lady Herbert's Gardens and Priory Place and surrounding area to view the progress made thus far. The Shadow Cabinet Member (Community Safety and Equalities) also be invited to attend the visit.
- (6) An updated report incorporating information on all of the above be submitted to the first available meeting in late May/early June 2012 of the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Sports and Parks.
- (7) A further progress report be submitted to the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Community Safety in October 2012.

A similar letter has been sent to the petition organiser.

Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number.

Yours sincerely

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