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Dear Andy

### **Report of Street Drinking and Vagrancy in Bournemouth**

Thank you for your letter dated 15 June 2014 and the associated documents in response to my call for a report into the issue of street drinking, vagrancy and rough sleeping in Bournemouth.

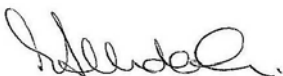
I appreciate the comprehensive report that you have provided and recognise that this issue is being treated seriously by the Bournemouth Community Safety Partnership (CSP). Whilst I do continue to have concerns over the legality of Bournemouth Borough Council policies with regard to rough sleepers without a local connection, I do understand that this is a matter for the local authority to reconcile and apply accordingly.

However, I am pleased to some extent to see that Bournemouth Borough Council does have mechanisms and process in place to help non Bournemouth residents to move on and be repatriated, rather than face a point blank refusal for assistance or support.

I note the multi-agency Action Plan that you have provided as part of the CSP report and welcome initiatives such as the councils' increased investment in the Street Outreach service for rough sleepers, and the review of potential initiatives such as the wet tent and licensing controls. I look forward to working with you and being kept updated on progress towards the achievement of the Action Plan.

Finally, under paragraph 7 of Part One of the Schedule to the Elected Local Policing Bodies (Specified Information) Order 2011 (as amended), I am required to publish any requested report received from a CSP. I will therefore make arrangements for the publication of your report and associated documents on my website in due course.

Yours sincerely



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