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Dear Mr Hayer

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Social Responsibility and Community Cohesion

Thank you for your hospitality and co-operation during our recent visit. We are particularly grateful to you and all your staff for the hard work involved in preparing for the visit and for giving up your time during the visit to meet us. Please pass on our thanks to all those concerned, including your students.

The visit provided much useful evidence for the further development of community cohesion. We noted, in particular:

- Knowledgeable and experienced senior leaders know their community very well and model effective team-working for their students and colleagues.
- The school develops its learners' confidence through rich curriculum opportunities, resulting in highly enthusiastic students from diverse backgrounds of the community.
- The school develops and nurtures very effective partnerships, including with the local authority and with a range of community groups.
- Innovative project work has enabled bilingual/plurilingual students to develop their language skills. The school is very well placed to undertake sophisticated on-going analysis of 'what works' with colleagues in further education.

The published survey report will list the names of the contributing institutions in an appendix. Should we wish to cite specific aspects of the good practice observed on this visit in the form of a detailed case study, we will contact you first. We will notify

you of the date of publication of the survey report when it is confirmed and provide you with details of any other arrangements to disseminate the survey's findings.

Yours sincerely

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Her Majesty's Inspector