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Dear Ms Stokes

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Social Responsibility and Community Cohesion

Thank you for your hospitality and co-operation during my recent visit. I am 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 me. Please pass on my thanks to all those concerned, including your students.

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

- Partnership and collaboration to deliver a responsive range of local provision that benefits the many different communities of Bristol
- The enrichment programme that provides students with an increasingly broad range of topical activities that enable them to improve their knowledge of different communities, cultures and beliefs
- The good support for the inclusion of learners with learning difficulties and/or disabilities, enabling them to contribute both in the college and to their own communities
- The need to develop further the training for and work of the student union and student council so that all students can participate fully in the quality improvement and decision making processes of the college.

The published survey report will list the names of the contributing institutions in an appendix. Should Ofsted wish to cite specific aspects of the good practice observed on the 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 and provide you with details of any other arrangements to disseminate the survey's findings.

Yours sincerely

Paul Fletcher
Her Majesty's Inspector