

University of Plymouth in the community

With 30,000 students and 3,000 staff, Plymouth is one of the largest universities in the UK. It is central to the local community, making a major contribution to the economic, social and cultural life of the city and its surroundings.

- Many of our students are keen volunteers and involved in activities ranging from beach cleans to painting hospital wards. The university is also involved in the Business Action on Homelessness campaign, working closely with Shekinah Mission to equip homeless people with the necessary skills for employment and independent living.
- The Roland Levinsky Building, which opened in 2007, has a café, gallery and other facilities that are open to the public. The building is also home to Peninsula Arts, which provides a diverse range of concerts, exhibitions and talks.
(See www.peninsula-arts.co.uk for information.)
- In 2006 the university took over the management of Drake's Place Gardens and Reservoir at North Hill. Thanks to £300,000 of funding from the university's Centre for Sustainable Futures, railings have been replaced and stonework repaired in keeping with

the style of these landmarks, with further improvements planned for the future.

- Fledgling creative businesses in the city are being supported by the Formation Zone, a collaboration between the university and the South West Regional Development Agency that provides them with a base as well as advice on establishing a new business.
- Many of our graduates choose to remain in the region, where their knowledge and skills are welcomed by a wide variety of employers.
- The university is constantly seeking to reduce its environmental impact: decreasing our CO₂ emissions; reducing water consumption; using electricity from 100% renewable sources; increasing the amount of waste recycled, and increasing use of public transport.

Recognising our integral role in the city, we work closely with Plymouth City Council, Devon & Cornwall Constabulary and other partners to develop and enhance relationships in the community.

The information overleaf explains who to approach if you have a query, comment, complaint – or indeed a compliment – regarding the university and the community.

Plymouth City Council

Staff at the council can help you with the areas listed below. When you have a problem that falls within one of these categories, contacting the council direct will give the most effective response.

noise nuisance:

01752 304147

street cleaning / waste:

01752 304750

abandoned motor vehicles:

01752 304147

building control:

01752 304343

dog warden:

01752 304147

pest control:

01752 304147

planning applications:

01752 304366

street lighting:

01752 304911

parking problems:

01752 305580

private sector housing standards:

01752 307077

street scene (litter, graffiti, fly tipping):

01752 304147

Devon & Cornwall Constabulary

In cases of emergency, the police should be contacted on 999. For less urgent matters, contact them on **08452 777444** or visit the website at www.devon-cornwall.police.uk

University of Plymouth

If you wish to contact the university, please telephone **01752 600600**.

Alternatively you can contact the university's police community support officer on **08452 777444**

