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Dear Mr. Petrigh

We are writing to thank you and your team for your work to support and house rough sleepers in Portsmouth throughout the pandemic.

The last 21 months have been unprecedented in terms of the challenges of mobilising services to achieve the government's "Everyone In" instruction to provide safe self-contained accommodation to rough sleepers to protect them during the covid pandemic.

We wish to recognise Fort Roche's considerable contribution to this objective; providing security and safety services for the buildings, working with support providers and partners to support rough sleepers and liaising with the local community both within the Ibis hotels and subsequently within the Rough Sleeping Pathway at the Registry, Kingsway House and Elm Grove buildings.

We recognise that the work to establish new services for rough sleepers in Portsmouth has been both high profile and challenging, in terms of the level of demand for services and speed of the response required. It has required innovative working from all partners to meet these challenges. The contribution of Fort Roche to the establishment of a new Pathway for rough sleepers has been invaluable.

We would like to formally thank you and everyone from the Fort Roche team for this work and commitment to the rough sleeping services in Portsmouth. Everyone involved can be proud of their achievement and the difference they have made to the lives of vulnerable rough sleepers in Portsmouth.

Yours sincerely



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