

Dear Cllr Saeed Ebrahim,

Report of the Race Equality Taskforce

I write in reply to the completion of Cardiff Race Equality Taskforce's programme and the publication of your report.

Firstly, I wish to congratulate and thank you for your leadership in delivering such a comprehensive and practical set of recommendations for our city. I wish to express my gratitude to the many Cardiff residents who have shaped this work. The finished Report of the Race Equality Taskforce provides a clear design for future efforts to address racial injustice at a city level.

The last 18 months of delivering the Taskforce have seen an active and pragmatic process. This has enabled community members to work side-by-side with public services and broader city partners to reflect on the reality of inequality for ethnic minority people in our city, and, critically, focus collective minds on the practical solutions that we could develop at the local level.

As the Taskforce rightly state in their report, this can only be the beginning and a long-term focus is needed to effectively change the dial on racial inequality.

In establishing the Taskforce, I asked the membership to focus on the immediate actions we could take during the current Labour administration, alongside those which require long-term consistent measures to deliver meaningful change. This is something which our administration has taken seriously, and we have encouraged urgency of action. I am pleased therefore, that there has already been a significant programme of work to respond to the Race Equality Taskforce's recommendations, actively, to date, as they have been confirmed by the Taskforce during the course of the programme.

As I committed in the final meeting of the Race Equality Taskforce, following the 2022 Local Government elections, a Labour administration would welcome the Taskforce to participate in an audit, one year on from receiving this report, to examine the implementation of their recommendations.

In replying to the Taskforce Report today, I am here attaching a record of and progress that we have already made to date, and the commitments secured from public services and our partners to embed these recommendations in service delivery for the future.

Yours sincerely,

Cllr Huw Thomas
Leader
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