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To members of the Local Family Justice Board
and other interested parties regarding changes to
Devon Public Law work.

Dear Colleague

As you are aware, with effect from 1 April 2019 all Public Law cases issued by Devon Local Authority are now issued out of Plymouth Family Court in addition to those issued by Plymouth City Council and Torbay Council.

Following a successful first week; I would like to update on how you can assist us to work more effectively.

- Please allow 72 hours before chasing correspondence and applications – this will allow us to work on urgent matters in a timely manner.
- If your email is urgent please ensure URGENT is contained within the body of the email.
- Please do not send applications and correspondence direct to the judges – everything needs to go via DevonPublicLaw@justice.gov.uk to ensure it is processed correctly.
- Please warn the Family Team in Plymouth of any urgent applications on 01752 677431.

Should you have any questions regarding the process please email caroline.dean1@justice.gov.uk

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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