



## Chairman's Report

**As another eventful and hugely successful year draws to a close, it is a good time to look back at what we have achieved – and also look forward to what is coming.**

As Plymouth's Charity of Charities we aim to become part of the fabric of how this City operates. Judging from the organisations and businesses that we partner now and those planned for the near future, this is rapidly becoming a reality. We work closely with key players in the City, such as:

-  **Plymouth City Council** - all Councillors are Ambassadors and we are this year's Lord Mayor's Charity
-  **Plymouth University** - who have a named fund for Pioneering work in the City and are funding our Annual Meeting
-  **Devon & Cornwall Police** - our current CEO is on secondment from the police
-  **Tamar Science Park** - fund our offices and support our staff
-  **and many others.**

Hardly a week goes by without contact from some group or organisation asking how we can work together to deliver much needed funding to the right community

groups and individuals. We work hard to stay connected to that need, and we work hard at keeping our overheads to an absolute minimum – something which donors really appreciate in the current climate.

In the last 12 months we have given out around £70,000 to 28 Community groups in Plymouth. This brings our total to just over £520,000 and almost 250 Community Groups since we started 5 years ago. A tremendous achievement but one we aim to build on. Our Youth Hardship fund launched last year has been a great success and we hope to continue funding this much needed crises fund into the future. The £££s for People campaign in the Herald was another success – allowing us to reach many new Community groups in the City not previously on our radar. We hope to repeat this again this year.

The coming year will bring many new challenges, but we have a strong and enthusiastic body of Trustees, Ambassadors and Friends to guide us along. Thank you to everyone who has supported us this year and we hope to see you at our Annual event and Community Awards evening on the Hoe in September where I can thank you all personally.

# The Plymouth Drake Foundation

The Plymouth Drake Foundation is your local community charity of charities. We offer grant opportunities to all and any group or individual who are looking to give something back to their community and the city of Plymouth.

In partnership with Devon Community Foundation under the Grassroots grant scheme we manage the proceeds of a £1.2 Million endowment 3 times a year solely for the benefit of Plymouth.

We also give out grants all year round through our own fundraising and friendship programmes, as well as this we manage and distribute funds on behalf of national donors such as the Royal Navy Royal Marine Charity and Seafarers UK.



Through these three methods we are able to make a significant impact on several different types of community groups each year and really make an impact on the vulnerable and disadvantaged people of Plymouth.

## So what have we achieved in the last 12 months?

Launched two campaigns; £££'s for People run with The Herald and The Youth Hardship Fund in association with The Zone. We inputted £10,000 into each of these funds and can report both have and continue to be very successful.



Grant Giving is always a key part of our charity and since June 2012 we have given out another £49283. These grants have been given out through a variety of funds in association with Devon Community Foundation. Furthermore we have given out £5000 through our funding from the Royal Navy and Royal Marine Charity to two community groups; read more about their progress on our website.

Therefore taking everything into account we have given out just over £70000 in grants back into our city of Plymouth during the last 12 months!

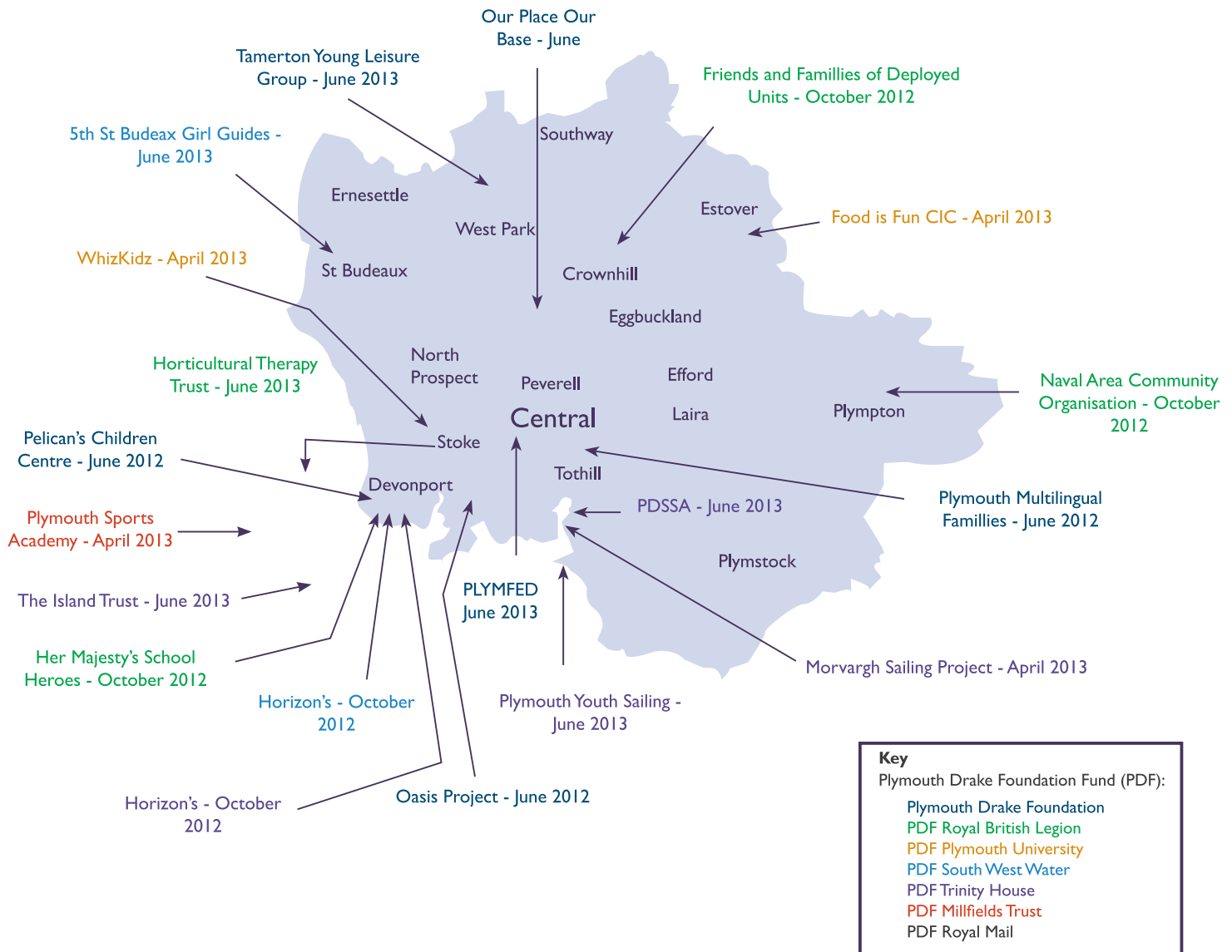
For a tough year in terms of the financial climate we were delighted that we could still give out such a large amount. We could not have done so if it was not for generous continued support from our sponsors and supporters in Plymouth.

Next year promises to be even better through continued development of our partnerships with the Royal Navy Royal Marines Charity, local people and their community policing teams.

**See our website for more information on all of our grant giving or email us:**

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# Grants Given via the Grassroots Scheme from June 2012 until June 2013 in partnership with Devon Community Foundation



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