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Re: Enquiry about a discussion on Access to Justice and Legal Costs

Dear Deputy Lawless,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Society's Human Rights and Equality Committee ('HREC').

The HREC would like to enquire whether the Committee on Justice intends to resume the discussion and engagement on Access to Justice and Legal Costs which was initiated by the Joint Committee on Justice and Equality in November 2019.

The HREC would like to note that the debate on these important issues from a human rights perspective was not concluded before the dissolution of the 32nd Dáil

We would very much appreciate your views on the above and would welcome any opportunity to engage with the Committee on Justice to provide observations on how to remove existing barriers in order to improve access to justice.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Cullen
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