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**Cornwall Council –**

Leigh Frost (Leader of CC),  
Kate Keneally (Chief Executive),

**Devon and Cornwall Police –**

Alison Hernandez (Police and Crime Commissioner),  
James Vaughan (Chief Constable),

5<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear All,

**Subject: Urgent Action Required – CCTV Installation on Harvey Street, Torpoint**

I am writing to you in my capacity as the Member of Parliament for South East Cornwall regarding the ongoing and deeply concerning issues of crime and anti-social behaviour around the flats located on Harvey Street in Torpoint.

Over recent months, I have received a significant number of contacts from constituents who are distressed by the persistent disturbances in this area. These concerns have been raised with both Cornwall Council and Devon and Cornwall Police, and I am grateful for the engagement shown thus far.

To better understand the situation on the ground, I recently undertook a ride-along with local police officers and visited Harvey Street to discuss current policing efforts. It is clear that while the police are working diligently, the introduction of CCTV in this area would be a vital tool in both deterring criminal activity and enabling faster, more effective responses. CCTV would also support the identification and prosecution of individuals involved in criminal behaviour, providing much-needed reassurance to the local community.

There is a strong and growing consensus among residents and local stakeholders that CCTV is urgently needed and would be warmly welcomed. I understand that the Town Council has been actively pursuing this issue and has recently received a quote from Devon and Cornwall Police

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estimating the installation and first-year running costs at approximately £18,500. Additional ongoing costs include £50 per camera per month for monitoring and a yearly fee of £1,200.

Given the scale of concern and the clear benefits of CCTV, I urge Cornwall Council and Devon and Cornwall Police to work together as a matter of urgency to agree on funding and implementation. The people of Torpoint deserve to feel safe in their homes and communities.

This initiative aligns directly with Labour's mission to make our streets safer. We are committed to ensuring that every community has the tools and support needed to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour head-on. The installation of CCTV in Harvey Street is a practical and necessary step toward achieving that goal.

I look forward to your response and to seeing swift progress on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

**Anna Gelderd**

Member of Parliament for South East Cornwall

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Ned Bowie (Sector Inspector)

Hayley Gething (Neighbourhood Beat Manager for Torpoint)

Thalia Marrington (Portfolio holder for Community Safety & Public Health)

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