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**Mr and Mrs Godfrey**



Dear Mr & Mrs Godfrey

**Petition for the Installation of Two CCTV Cameras in Lamb Lane, and Upgrade of Cameras in High Street, Redbourn**

I thank you for your letter and petition. It is disappointing that the situation has arisen where you felt the need to take such action.

CCTV can make a contribution to community safety, but it is not the total answer; sometimes other measures can generate better results.

There are also concerns about putting permanent cameras in residential areas since many people feel uneasy about incursions into their privacy; this is less of an issue in public spaces such as shopping areas where people generally expect to find CCTV and most shops have their own systems.

In connection with the existing CCTV systems I am able to inform you that the cameras in the High Street have already been upgraded. It has also been possible to fit an extra camera looking at the entrance into Lamb Lane at the High Street end.

The improved CCTV cameras have generated some good results. We have been and will continue to work closely with the police and other authorities to address the underlying issues.

Please be assured that we will do what we can to assist.

Yours sincerely

Brian Peers  
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