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Dear Sarah,

You will be aware from your full council meeting last month that an undertaking was made in relation to a safety camera on Birmingham New Road and the subsequent prominent media coverage.

I am deeply concerned that the safety camera that your council has installed on Birmingham New Road is in fact a fake that is not intended to be operational. It really should not be described as a safety camera, it is a metal box.

By installing a camera that isn't functioning, a deception has been placed on the public and confidence in road safety measures has been undermined.

As it is the council who installed this device, without consultation with the police or myself I would ask you to urgently clarify the situation with the public.

In time, I hope you will also consider installing functioning safety cameras. My offer of police enforcing functioning cameras remains and always will do.

I hope that this matter is resolved quickly and that there is an outbreak of common sense following this embarrassing episode.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David Jamieson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Jamieson
Police and Crime Commissioner