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Dear Paul

During OAQ session on 21 January, I agreed to ask my officials to look into the issues of flooding in Lower Town Fishguard.

My officials have now made enquiries with both Natural Resources Wales (NRW) and Pembrokeshire County Council regarding this issue.

This area of the town is susceptible to both river and tidal flooding and since August 2013, there have been 13 reported incidents including 14 properties flooded during the winter storms in January 2014. The town's inclusion within the Pembrokeshire National Park and its historic importance preclude the construction of major hard defence structures around the harbour.

Whilst a large scale scheme is not possible around the harbour, NRW have provided 45 properties with individual property protection. NRW have also worked alongside Pembrokeshire County Council to run community resilience and awareness-raising events, including two at the end of last year providing advice on being prepared for severe weather events.

Yours sincerely

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