

FORM 2

NOTICE OF DECISION OF CABINET MEMBER

Pursuant Section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 2000, as amended by section 63 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, the senior executive member may discharge any of the functions that are the responsibility of the Cabinet or may arrange for them to be discharged by another member of the Cabinet or Officer. On 1st December 2010, the Council adopted the Strong Leader Model for Corporate Governance 2011 as required under Part 3 of The Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (The 2007 Act).

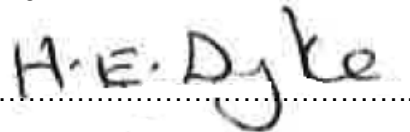
In accordance with the authority delegated to me, I have made the following decision:

Subject	Decision	Reason for decision	Date for Decision to be taken
Community Safety – External Funding for CCTV Equipment	To amend the Capital Programme to include the external funding received from the West Mercia PCC for Community Safety CCTV equipment purchase.	For the purchase of CCTV equipment, to upgrade the existing systems and technologies	20/05/2021

I confirm that the appropriate statutory officer consultation has taken place with regard to this decision.

Dated: 20th May 2021

Signed:



Councillor:

Leader of the Council: Councillor Helen Dyke

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

STRONG LEADER CABINET REPORT

20th May 2021

Community Safety – External Funding for CCTV Equipment

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CABINET MEMBER:	Cabinet Member Councillor Graham Ballinger
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APPENDICES:	N/A

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to recommend amending the Capital Programme to include the external funding received from the West Mercia PCC for Community Safety CCTV equipment purchase.

2. RECOMMENDATION

The Leader is asked to **APPROVE** that:

- 2.1 There is an amendment to the Capital Programme to include expenditure of £24,860 fully matched by external funding to support Community Safety for the purchase of CCTV equipment, to upgrade the existing systems and technologies

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 On behalf of the local authorities in North Worcestershire, the North Worcestershire Community Safety Partnership had the opportunity to apply to the West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner for grant funding to invest in upgrading the existing CCTV sited in all 3 districts.
- 3.2 The 3 local authorities; Wyre Forest, Bromsgrove and Redditch have a joint contract for CCTV maintenance, and the capital upgrade programme will enhance current monitoring capabilities and future proof the CCTV scheme that covers the 3 district areas.

4. KEY ISSUES

- 4.1 This funding has been awarded to continue the work of the NWCSP CCTV Upgrade project of 2018 – 20. The new and upgraded cameras have enhanced the capabilities of the scheme and ensuring that the most up to date technology is available to catch and record incidents across the districts. This allows the North

Worcestershire CCTV scheme to continue to be an essential tool in crime reduction, detection and provide valuable reassurance to communities and local businesses in the 3 district areas; Wyre Forest, Bromsgrove and Redditch.

4.2 The funding allocated for Wyre Forest will enable the following:

- To upgrade 3 camera and transmission infrastructure from analogue to digital in Bewdley
- To upgrade 4 of the 6 cameras in Stourport, utilizing the already installed digital wireless network, to HIK Dark Fighter cameras

4.3 The grant application has been successful, and funding needs to be drawn down from Bromsgrove Council

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The grant from West Mercia PCC paid via Redditch BC is £24,860 this will fully fund the purchase of additional CCTV equipment. This will be capital expenditure so needs to be included in the Capital Programme for 2021-22.

6. LEGAL AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Council on the 12th May approved a recommendation from December Cabinet to delegate authority to Cabinet to make amendments to the Cabinet Programme where the Council receives external grants and the resultant expenditure is fully funded.

6.2 The procurement of the new equipment is dealt with across the 3 districts and is managed by Bromsgrove and Redditch.

7. EQUALITY IMPACT NEEDS ASSESSMENT

7.1 An Equalities Impact Assessment is not required.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

8.1 The 3 local authorities have a successful long standing joint agreement in place for CCTV maintenance

9. CONCLUSION

9.1 The Council will need to amend the Capital Programme to include an additional provision of £24,680 into the programme to reflect this external funding and resultant expenditure.

10. CONSULTEES

10.1 CLT

11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 11.1 Council 12th May 2021 – agenda item 20 (a) – approval of delegation to Cabinet for amendments to capital programme for fully externally funded schemes.