

Committee	Assets & Services Committee
Month	September 2023
Report Title	CCTV
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Attachments	None



Summary

Saffron Walden Town Council owns many CCTV cameras across the town which cover areas such as the town centre, the Common, Cemetery, Bridge End Gardens and other Council owned assets.

The CCTV working group consisting of Cllr Freeman, Cllr Frost, Mrs Elaine Baynes CCTV administrator and the Operations Manager who recently met and were shown the CCTV system in operation and how it operates.

The Police are frequent requesters of the CCTV footage, and a secure system is in place to transfer encrypted footage direct to Essex Police which can be used as evidence in any pending investigation or court cases.

Some of the equipment is now 15 years old and in need of upgrading.

The working group were presented with suggestions and costs to upgrade the current system, and all agreed this was value for money in the way the upgrade will be managed over a period of time using the existing contractors who maintain the current systems.

Recommendation

Committee is asked to consider the following recommendations and asked to consider and resolve its support:

- a) To note the working groups, full support of the current arrangements which are managed by the CCTV Administrator and the Operation Manager.
- b) To support the working groups decision to use £9800 from the EMR?? To carry out upgrades as required and to be overseen by the Operations manager, as recommended by the working group.
- c) To agree to continue to fund the upgrades and running of the valuable CCTV system for Saffron Walden.