

CCTV update received from Graham Boase (Head of Planning and Public Protection) following CET

- CET confirmed that every effort should be made to deliver the previously identified £100k saving from the CCTV budget. This saving has been identified for some time, has featured in previous Service Challenge meetings and is identified in both the Service Business Plan and the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan.
- these savings are to be planned over a 2-3 year period.
- it was accepted that this level of savings is likely to result in CCTV not offering a 24/7 service in the future.
- I as Head of Service, along with Jackie Walley, in her role as Head of Service with responsibility for customer services, to meet with the police to explore options of joint working with a view to seeing if the savings can be delivered while meeting the requirements of the police.
- I am also to maintain a watching brief on the progress on the Regional CCTV Project, which is being managed on behalf of the region by Conwy CBC.
- I am to report back to CET in Dec to provide an update on these matters
- I can also report that sickness levels in the team have improved recently which have allowed us to move back to virtually a full 24/7 service again (only parts of one or two shifts per month are currently unlikely to be manned, although we are hopeful that even these shifts will be covered).
- I as Head of Service am satisfied therefore that the operational management issues are being addressed, that risks have been appropriately managed/mitigated, that I have a clear mandate from the Corporate Executive Team, that discussions are on going with the police and the possibility of a regional project is still being progressed.
- once we have a clear understanding what our options are in terms of finding the identified savings and impacts upon service delivery then a report will need to come back to Scrutiny prior to any decisions being implemented.
- I suggest Members consider adding a report on CCTV to their FWP for possibly February/March/April.