

Clerks Report re CCTV

Background

On the meeting of 26th September council discussed the broken camera on the High Street CCTV, with a view to replacing the camera at a cost of around £4000-6000. Claude Deaud of Sussex Police attended and gave a presentation to council and informed them that there were now some new options available. These were £750 for a replacement second hand camera which would be guaranteed for 6 months. He also commented that under the new contract that was being negotiated other options may be available next year. The decision was deferred until councillors had the opportunity to visit the control room and for the clerk to obtain more firm details from Claude with regards to the new contract new possibilities and the pros and cons of the new systems.

Cost to replace/decommission

Replacement with a new analogue camera (Bosch Mic 550)	£4786
Replacement with a new digital camera (Bosch Mic 7000)	£5386
Cost to decommission per camera	£2500-3000
Cost to reinstate should future councils choose to reinstate the cameras (approx.)	£20,000
Replacement with a second hand guaranteed camera	£750

Expected costs to have whole system upgrade from 2017 with potential to have better and modern systems that may allow for advertising, Wi-Fi for the public etc.

Current running costs are:

Rental and Transmission	£2182.42 pa
Camera maintenance	£530.76 pa
Total annual cost	£2713.70

% of precept 0.87% cost per household (paying) 91 pence per year.

Recommendation

As the budget already includes the annual sum of £2182.42 and the camera that has failed is the one near the station (we are currently borrowing a camera), I recommend that the council purchase the second hand camera for £750 with a view to reconsidering the options in the budget. It is expected that the costs for the camera total upgrade next year 2017, would be similar costs to this year's annual costs (unless council decided to remove one camera).

Once the new contract is known from Sussex Police (expected around December 2016) the council could reconsider its options. It will be important that at the budget setting council make a decision on whether it intends to keep the camera or decommission.

However, at this stage, it would take two years (at least) to cover the costs of decommissioning versus the annual charge for the cameras, plus there is a possibility that the cameras will be completely upgraded at no additional costs to the council in 2017 onwards).

New contract 2017	£2182 approx
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Decommission <u>one</u> camera	£2500-3000
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Motion already put by councillor D Dunbar

To purchase the second hand Bosch Mic 400 for £750 and to renegotiate the contract asap after the details are known (Dec 2016) to upgrade the current cameras with new Bosch Mic 7000 and to add £3500 to the budget for 2017/18 to cover the costs of the CCTV.

Attached is an email from Chroma confirming the cost of the second hand cameras from Havant. The cost of the camera including installation and 6 months warranty has been confirmed: £750 one off payment. Note that if a new bracket or longer power cable are required, their costs would be extra.

Below are some information with regards to the BTRedcare contract we are working towards. The amounts listed have not been agreed and are subject to change before an agreement is reached.

- Yearly Transmission cost to remain similar to the current rate: current rate for Polegate is £ 2182.42 per year for both cameras.
- BTRedcare are offering a camera and IP upgrade: the camera on offer is a Bosch MIC 7000 (HD 720P camera), cost of £3250 + VAT. This price does not include installation.

Going to 1 camera has financial benefits, offers similar level of performance but less resilience:

- Savings can be achieved in camera's maintenance cost (currently £530 per year for 2 cameras) and transmission costs.
- CCTV Coverage of the High St would not be affected by reducing the number of camera due to better zooming performance of HD cameras.
- Total loss of CCTV coverage if the 1 camera is not working. 2 cameras offer better resilience.

The upgrade offered by BTRedcare will see the implementation of IP connectivity. Councils will be able to choose to offer free Wi-Fi within their boundaries and potentially generate revenue through advertising to offset CCTV cost. Please see link for further info:

http://www.redcare.bt.com/pdf/Smarter_Cities.pdf

Just heard back from Chroma, they estimate the work of decommissioning the camera to be between £2500 and £3000.

Before making a decision, can I please ask you to attend our next partnership meeting so that you can explain to you some of the options we are working towards.

Connecting cameras to the i-witness is not cheap.

In the last few month I have been working with a Town Council in Wealden looking at their CCTV options. One of them is to join the partnership and I got BTRedcare to give us a quote to link their town to the i-witness. Redcare quoted them £9000+vat, note that the quote was for connection only (no camera and no camera's installation included in the price)!
