

Licensing Committee – 12 October 2010

5. CCTV Policy as proposed by Avon and Somerset Police.

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Purpose of the Report

Where the provision of a CCTV system is a requirement of the conditions of either a Premises licence or a Club Premises certificate, whether these are placed on the licence/certificate as offered by the applicant's Operating Schedule or imposed following a Sub Committee hearing, the system must comply with at least the Licensing Authority's CCTV minimum standard. The police have requested that we adopt the following policy in order to ensure that the systems provide a tool to prevent criminal and anti-social behaviour and to ensure that the images provided by the systems meet the recognition and identification standards necessary for the detection and prevention of crime and disorder.

Recommendation

That members agree to adopt the CCTV Policy as proposed by Avon and Somerset Police.

Background

Closed Circuit Television, commonly referred to as CCTV, is a rapidly developing technology. A correctly designed, installed and maintained system can be an effective tool in the potential prevention and detection of crime.

This document is intended to provide a **minimum** performance specification for the installation of a CCTV system, or the upgrade of an existing system, within licensed premises. The primary objectives of installing a CCTV system within such an environment are –

- To seek to influence behaviour of patrons.
- To protect staff and property.
- Where necessary, to provide unequivocal evidence of an incident to assist subsequent prosecution.

An effectively installed and managed system will also help to prevent criminal and anti-social behaviour.

Proposed CCTV installations for licensed premises must comply with the requirements of this guidance. A suitably qualified company should be engaged to design and install the system to ensure compliance - NSI Gold or SSAIB Certified.

A system specification will be supplied to the Licensing Authority.

The following guidance seeks to assist the reader in the procurement process. It provides a checklist of criteria which are required for the specification of an effective

CCTV system and is, in part, based upon advice published by the Police Scientific Development Branch (PSDB).

Financial Implications

None for this authority

Implications for Corporate Priorities

There will be a positive impact on Corporate Aim 4, ensuring safe, sustainable and cohesive communities.

Other Implications

None

Background Papers: *None*
