

AGENDA 10, Enc v) Station Road CCTV Provision, DRAFT REPORT of meeting held on Wednesday 4th December 2024

Present

Cllr Caroline Ball, Cllr Lynne Grimshaw, Cllr Louis Brown, Cllr Pauline Thompson, Sarah Eden, Stephen Humphrey, Sgt Kath Smith (NP), PCSO Kennedy Clark (NP), Karl Thurm (AW), David Knox (AW), Chris Duncan (AW), Morpeth 24/7 PC's

1. It was **AGREED** that Cllr Caroline would chair the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr John Tully

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of interest.

4. REPORT OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was agreed to receive the report of the meeting held on 25th September as a fair reflection.

5. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

a) System Performance and Reliability

During the move there was planned downtime of 45 minutes in the morning and 30 minutes in the afternoon. Everything is now wirelessly connected and back to previous reliability.

b) Incidents

It was **AGREED** to receive the tabled report of incidents from Northumbria Police. Those highlighted are incidents where CCTV was fundamental and the outcome more positive as a result.

Date	Location	Incident	Reported Requested	Outcome	Grade
13/09/2024	Hirst Park	2x fires set in hirst park by a group of youths.	Reported	Images of offender circulated to NPT	
14/09/2024	Bubbles	Male knocked unconscious by 2x males. The male is knocked out and lies on the floor for a while before anybody helps.	Reported	Asset watch were the only people to report the incident and request police and ambulance. The male could have been seriously injured and without this footage police would not have been made aware. Crime enquiries ongoing.	
14/09/2024	Riverside park	Vehicle parks up and occupants leave a substantial amount of litter.	Reported		
15/09/2024	Hirst Park	Youths on the roof of the pavilion	Reported	Asset watch attended, the youths were apologetic and came down.	

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15/09/2024	Hirst Park	Youths on the roof of the pavilion	Reported	Asset watch patrol was deployed, and the youths came down from the roof. The youths were described as being very apologetic.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
21/09/2024	Hirst Park	Youths playing football on the bowling green	Reported	Youths left after 5 minutes; no damage caused.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
22/09/2024	Station Road	Asset watch contacted by police in relation to a public order incident on station road	Requested	Enquiries ongoing	Ungraded - intelligence only.
25/09/2024	Station Road	Off road/ surron bikes on Station Road	Reported	Unable to locate log	
27/09/2024	Paddock woods	2 x off road bikes in paddock woods	Reported	Due to the time of night, the riders could not be seen clearly enough to ID	
27/09/2024	The Cree	Three males attack one male which ends with the lone male being stamped on.	Reported	The operator reported this retrospectively, the whole incident happened very quickly then both parties left the scene. No reports were made by members of the public or the IP.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
28/09/2024	Station Road	Surron types of bikes hanging around Vice City, Bubbles and station Road.	Reported	Rides made off on police arrival	Grade 2
28/09/2024	Riverside park	Vehicle ASB - wheel spinning in the car park.	Reported	Unable to locate log	
28/09/2024	Multiple sites	Police have contacted asset watch in relation to a live incident. Asset watch have tracked down a surron bike being ridden by individuals who match the description. The bike was tracked from Ashington into the Lynemouth area.	Reported	Enquiries ongoing	Grade 1
29/09/2024	Vice City	Multiple people fighting outside of Vice City which leads to a sec 18 assault taking place.	Reported	Enquiries ongoing. The footage is very helpful and has identified offenders.	Grade 1
03/10/2024	Station Road	Surron bikes driving up and down station road	Reported	The riders were masked up so unable to identify.	Ungraded - intelligence only.

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03/10/2024	Peoples park	The fencing that surrounds the park appears to be loose and as the camera pans around it is lying on the grass on two separate occasions.		Due to the camera panning around the area, it cannot be confirmed if the damage was accidental or done with intent.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
07/10/2024	Station road	NCC community safety team have attended Asset Watch to view footage of a surron type bike on station road		Despite the riders being masked up, one of these males looks like a target of Op Capio.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
09/10/2024	Hirst Park	A large group of youths in hirst park throwing fireworks. When asset watch patrol attended the youths continued to throw fireworks from a distance with one landing near a mother and baby.	Reported	Due to heavy rain, the picture on the camera is blurry and therefore the youths could not be identified. The area was searched with a negative result.	Grade 1
09/10/2024	Hirst Park	Surron bike ridden through Hirst Park	Reported	The rider of the bike is dressed all in black and completely covered up. Unable to identify.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
09/10/2024	Hirst Park	Males using drugs at the pavilion.	Reported	Males left prior to police arrival; the area was searched with a negative result. No identification from images	Grade 2
10/10/2024	Hirst Park	Youths causing damage to a park bench at hirst park pavilion.	Reported	Males left prior to police arrival; the area was searched with a negative result.	Grade 2
11/10/2024	Hirst Park	Asset watch have contacted police in relation to a large group of youths in hirst park who have caused damage to the fence of the bowling green.	Reported	Asset watch have informed police that the fence was potentially already damaged. A group of females were spoken to by police at scene. A crime of criminal damage has been recorded and sits with the OIC	Grade 1

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14/10/2024	Wansbeck square	Police have been contacted by asset watch in relation to a sit intrusion at the old council offices. Police and asset watch control attended however no intruders present.	Reported	It was clear that person/s had gained entry as paint had been spilled. Enquiries were made with the key holders to make the premises secure.	
15/10/2024	Station Road	Police have contacted Asset Watch in relation to an incident that took place within a shop on Station Road. The footage was requested to see direction of travel or identify any other offenders waiting outside the store.	Requested	A male has been arrested and charged with offences. Enquiries ongoing	Ungraded - intelligence only.
18/10/2024	Hawthorn road	Asset watch patrol came across a male unconscious in the road. Ambulance contacted	Reported	Police also came across this incident shortly after asset watch	Ungraded - intelligence only.
19/10/2024	Weatherspoons/ Woodhorn road	Male with 2x females on an off-road bike	Reported	NPT/Op Capio have been shown the images for identification	Ungraded - intelligence only.
19/10/2024	Wansbeck square	Site intrusion at the old council offices.	Reported	On police arrival, asset watch had already stopped the youths. The youths were around 13 years old - suitable advice given.	Grade 1
20/10/2024	Wansbeck square	Males snoring a substance	Reported	Images of these male have been sent to both NPT teams. No ID made at the time of typing	Grade 5
23/10/2024	Station Road	Asset watch were contacted to help assist with crime enquiries for a burglary	Requested	Enquiries ongoing.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
27/10/2024	Vice City	Multiple people fighting outside of Vice City. It's unclear who is fighting who due to the volume of people of the footpath.	Reported	Does not seem to be any major injuries. No reports made by any parties. The group dispersed on police arrival.	Grade 1
29/10/2024	Station Road	Footage of 4x off road bikes riding down station road.	Reported	Images sent to Op Capio. Area searched with a negative result.	Grade 2
30/10/2024	Pound stretcher	Potential racial abuse	Requested	Enquires ongoing	Ungraded - intelligence only.

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01/11/2024	Hirst Park	Male was caught attempting to set fire to a bush in Hirst Park. He was stopped by asset watch who confiscated his lighter and gave strong words of advice.	Reported	Male has potentially given false details as there was no record of this male on our system at the address provided.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
01/11/2024	Hirst Park	Group of youths firing fireworks at each other.	Reported	The youths dispersed when asset watch arrived. Two females were stopped and given strong words of advice in relation to fireworks. Police unable to identify youths from the images sent.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
02/11/2024	Ashington Bus Station	Enquiries in relation to potential public order offences.	Requested	Asset watch sent the footage as requested however this did not capture the offence. Potentially a malicious report.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
03/11/2024	Peoples park	Report of youths setting fires in the park.	Reported	Asset watch deployed however the youths made off. They searched the area with a negative result. Fire service informed. Police also attended however the area was searched with a negative result.	Grade 2
07/11/2024	Ashington Main Street	Suspected travelling criminals	Requested	Images sent over to Police, enquiries are ongoing.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
09/11/2024	Ashington Main Street	Images of youths on surron bikes, potentially dealing drugs and handling large sums of money.	Reported	Images have been sent over to Op Capio for identification. Enquiries are ongoing in relation to the riders.	Grade 2
10/11/2024	Vice City	Images of an unmasked male on a surron bike.	Reported	Images have been sent to Op Capio. NPT do not recognise this male however has also been sighted by an off-duty officer following viewing of footage.	Ungraded - intelligence only.

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11/11/2024	Wilkinsons square	Youths gained entry to the old council offices site.	Reported	The asset watch team attended and spotted the youths on the railway track. BTP and RPT attended, the line was closed, and an area search was carried out. The youths were not located, and the track was made safe.	Grade 1
27/11/2024	Alexandra road park	Youths damaging the park	Reported	NPT have viewed the images, identity of the youths unknown. Further enquiries required.	Ungraded - intelligence only.
29/11/2024	The Cree	Altercation between two males outside of The Cree.	Reported	Asset watch contacted NPT who attended and dealt with the incident. They also contacted the control room. NPT identified the males involved; no complaints made.	Grade 1
30/11/2024	Ashington Main Street	Male falling off Surrone bike	Reported	Images have been sent over to OP Capio. No identification for the rider however it doesn't appear to be his bike as he is unable to ride it.	Ungraded - intelligence only.

6. QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

It was AGREED Inspector Daniels would report back if there was any crime through court that could be reported on as CCTV having been used.

Cllr Caroline Ball advised that she was aware of an emerging incident of possible ASB where an adult had gestured towards the CCTV cameras on Station Road, and that was enough to disperse and stop what could have resulted.

Whilst we await any positive news of cases that have been through court **it was AGREED** a more general positive news post should be shared. Sarah shared a press release with this in mind, and **it was AGREED** this should be published.

7. FUTURE MEETINGS AND REPORTS

To agree future quarterly meeting dates, and receipt of data in advance of meeting.

Meeting Date	Data received by	Report to Council
29 th January 2025	20 th January 2025	February FGS