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Full Council Meeting: 5th November 2020

Agenda Item FC077: To resolve whether to proceed with the purchase of an additional Speed Indicator Device or an Automatic Number Plate Recognition camera (ANPR)

1. Introduction

Investigation into the costs to purchase of an additional Speed Indicator Device (SID) with Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) was requested, in comparison with a standard SID.

2. Approach

Previously Sussex Police have advised they will not allow ANPR cameras to be installed on the Highway, however it was suggested that the data captured by the camera could be handed over to the Speedwatch team for analysis, and used to identify speeding hotspots in more detail.

3. Findings

Further investigation highlighted that the ANPR camera is entirely separate to the SID and so does not provide any alert to a passing driver if they are speeding. Therefore, although this camera would capture details of speeding traffic, it would not be providing additional SID functionality.

West Sussex County Council have advised that due to the complexities of adhering to GDPR compliance, they would not grant permission for us to use the ANPR device on the highway.

Finally, Sussex Police have confirmed that their position has not changed regarding the use of these devices on the highway, meaning they would not permit the data to be used.

4. Costs

The standard ANPR unit costs £26,000, and is designed to be located in a single, fixed location. This does include a Speed Indicator Device.

A cheaper option is a portable ANPR at £6,000, which is a camera which may be used as a stand-alone device or coupled with any SID (see photo).



Finally, an additional Speed Indicator Device would cost £2,625.

5. Recommendations

Due to both WSCC and Sussex Police refusing to grant permission for the ANPR camera to be used on the roads of Sussex at this time, I would recommend we discount this option. Permission aside, there is no budget available to purchase the standard ANPR solution, and the ANPR camera would be of limited if any use to us at this time.

There is funding available in Reserves should Council feel it would be beneficial to purchase an additional SID to use about the village, alongside our existing one.

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