



## Overview & Scrutiny Committee 8<sup>th</sup> February 2007

### Report from the Director of Policy & Regeneration

For Action

Wards Affected:  
ALL

## Closed Circuit Television

### 1.0 Summary

- 1.1 The Corporate Strategy says that the council will maximise the effectiveness of existing CCTV installations and develop criteria for the future extension of it through partnership where possible.
- 1.2 At the last Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2006 members asked for clarification of the role of the CCTV Steering Group to ensure that the inclusion of this item on the agenda did not mean that the Overview & Scrutiny Committee was duplicating work already being carried out.
- 1.3 This report clarifies the role of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and sets the scene for a presentation on the draft CCTV Strategy.

### 2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are asked to make recommendations on: the process for finalising the CCTV strategy, aims and key aspects of the CCTV strategy in the context of the Corporate Strategy, and on possible areas for development.

### 3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The Corporate Strategy says that the council will maximise the effectiveness of existing CCTV installations and develop criteria for the future extension of it through partnership where possible.
- 3.2 At the last Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2006, Members asked for clarification of the role of the CCTV Steering Group to

ensure that overview & scrutiny does not duplicate the work already being carried out.

- 3.2 Discussions with the officers who are developing the strategy have confirmed that the role of the Steering Group and that of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee differ. The CCTV Steering Group has been involved in the development of the strategy, while the Overview & Scrutiny Committee is being asked to scrutinise the strategy prior to it being sent the Executive for agreement.
- 3.3 The CCTV Strategy is due to go to the Executive in Spring 2007. Following consultation with the chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Martin Gormlie, Senior Community Safety Officer and Alvin Wakeman, CCTV Control Operations Manager, have been invited to present information on the process through which the strategy was developed, the aims and key aspects of the strategy and potential areas for development.
- 3.4 Members of the Committee are asked to make recommendations on the process of developing the CCTV Strategy, the aims and key aspects of the strategy in the context of the Corporate Strategy, and suggest potential areas for development prior to the strategy being finalised.

#### **4.0 Financial Implications**

4.1 None

#### **5.0 Legal Implications**

5.1 None

#### **6.0 Diversity Implications**

6.1 None

#### **7.0 Staffing/Accommodation Implications (if appropriate)**

7.1 None

### **Background Papers**

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