

Pub Watch Radio System – Notes for Area Board

Background and Funding

The Area Board provided a grant to Trowbridge Pub Watch (TPW) to purchase and set up a controlled radio system in the town centre licensed establishments.

TPW also received funding of £9,800 from the National Lottery towards the scheme.

TCAF provided £500 to support the project.

22 radios were purchased for £3,250

Line rental agreements were set up with O2.

Trowbridge Town Council administered the project on behalf of TPW

Issues

No agreement could be reached with the Shires Shopping Centre to provide a central control point for the scheme.

There were technical problems with the equipment.

As a result it was decided not to progress the system and to recover the funds from the suppliers.

Current Situation

Most of the money (£11,398.51) relating to the rental agreement was retained by TTC and never released to O2.

£374.70 charged in error by O2 is being returned.

£2,340 charged by O2 is being credited.

TWP agreed with TCAF to refund £350 and retain the lap top. TWP also agreed that TTC retain the lap top.

Given the balance on hand and the anticipated further credit it would be appropriate for TWP to refund the £5,000 provided by the Area Board in Full.

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Town Clerk