

Additional CCTV in Springfield Campus

1. What is the project?

To install additional CCTV in Springfield Campus enabling full coverage of the ground floor

2. Where is the project taking place?

Springfield Community Campus, Corsham

3. When will the project take place?

As soon as possible after the funding has been agreed (Spring / early summer 2018)

4. Background Information

When Springfield Community Campus was built, some CCTV was installed but this does not cover the exhibition area, parts of the library, the old reception area and part of the café. As a result, we have had problems from ASB and thefts.

5. What are the key issues that need to be addressed?

There has been a rise in ASB caused by a small but significant minority of young people in the campus. This has increasingly become worse each year especially at times when the weather is cold and wet and during school holidays. The campus was built as a place for all the community to enjoy and young people are welcome to use its facilities.

Over 2 years ago, the Corsham Youth Zone was set up to offer young people somewhere to go on Friday evenings.

There have been instances when staff and customers have been threatened, property damaged and general ASB. The exhibition area is currently seldom used as there is understandably no confidence that exhibitions will not get damaged or stolen.

Staff and police are unable to be permanently in all areas and Wiltshire Council has been forced to look at several additional measures to address this problem, one of which is additional CCTV.

6. Who has been involved?

The management team at Springfield Campus have been looking at this issue with the support of the police and the Youth offending team. Corsham School has also been contacted

7. What is being proposed

To add to the current CCTV system, cameras to cover the remaining ground floor areas. This will include the exhibition area and will enable staff to continually see all areas. Early intervention can be taken and any perpetrator can be more easily identified.

8. What are the community benefits and evidence of need

Installing of additional CCTV will help provide the following benefits:

- The campus will become a place where the community feel safer and want to visit.
- The campus will be able to attract more events and exhibitions to the area
- The reputation of the Campus will improve.
- Staff and customers will not be threatened
- Save money caused by damage to property
- Create income through more use.

9. Who will manage/be responsible for this project?

The centre manager will be responsible for the additional CCTV as they are for the current CCTV

10. Costs/quotes/ match funding?

A contribution of up to £2k to provide all the cameras and to carry out a full installation and testing

11. Additional information

If this improvement is not carried out then Springfield Community Campus will find it hard to overcome this problems that exist