

REPORT

To: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE		Subject: CCTV FUNDING
From: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT		
Date: 5 August 1997	Ref: MMcC/JG/REP.277	

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update elected members on the level of award received as the result of an application for funding which was made to the Chief Constable of Strathclyde Police for revenue and capital funding for CCTV in North Lanarkshire.

2 Introduction

- 2.1 Members will recall a report to the Economic Development Committee in June which outlined a bid from North Lanarkshire Council for grant support for closed circuit television for the 1997/98 period to the Chief Constable of Strathclyde Police. The bid was co-ordinated on behalf of the Council and the 4 Development Trusts currently operating in Airdrie, Coatbridge, Motherwell and Wishaw town centres by the Planning & Development Department. North Lanarkshire Council and partners requested financial assistance of £147,501. The total amount awarded by the Chief Constable is £103,520. In the main, this funding will contribute to the cost of salaries for the Development Trusts in Airdrie, Coatbridge, Motherwell and Wishaw, with the funding being transferred to North Lanarkshire CCTV Limited on the setting up of that company. Funding was also awarded to North Lanarkshire Council's Housing Department and Town Centre Initiatives Limited to fund the post of the CCTV Co-ordinator.. An outline of total funding requested and awarded is attached at Appendix A.

3 CCTV Co-ordinator

- 3.1 Members are aware that the Planning & Development and Administration Departments are working jointly in the setting up of North Lanarkshire CCTV Limited, an umbrella organisation to co-ordinate and manage CCTV across the area. This action implements one of the key recommendations from the EDAW consultancy which undertook a review of CCTV operations following local government reorganisation. Another key recommendation to be implemented in conjunction with the setting up of North Lanarkshire CCTV Ltd was the appointment of a CCTV Co-ordinator. The Co-ordinator would be required to manage the 4 existing town centre CCTV systems, to develop CCTV to encompass more potential funders and to co-ordinate revenue raising activity to ensure the long term success of the systems operating in the area. Approval for the appointment of a CCTV Co-ordinator was given at the Economic Development Committee of 5 December.
- 3.2 It is proposed to call the Co-ordinator post the CCTV Development Manager and the position will be advertised by Town Centre Initiatives Limited on behalf of its subsidiary company North Lanarkshire CCTV Limited. Duties outlined for the CCTV Development Manager will include -

responsibility for the day to day administration of all 4 systems, including:

- management of the control room supervisors,
- promotion and marketing,
- working with directors of the new company and police advisors and ;
- raising money to ensure the future of the new company.

3.3 The successful candidate will report to the Town Centre Initiative Manager on a day-to-day basis and be responsible to the board of North Lanarkshire CCTV Limited. This position will be advertised on a contract basis subject to funding being available and it is anticipated that the person may be in post late September/early October.

4 Police Secondee

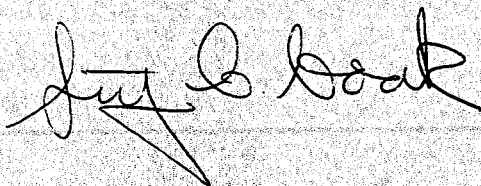
4.1 The Officer Working Group overseeing the setting up of North Lanarkshire CCTV Ltd have proposed that the Council approach Strathclyde Police requesting a Secondee to work with the new company and new manager to facilitate a smooth transition from the existing Development Trusts to the new organisation. It was considered that police knowledge would be particularly helpful in the first instance to the new manager enabling that person to concentrate on the business development and funding aspects of CCTV with the technical support from the Secondee available as part of the team. This would prove particularly useful in the initial period of company formation given the detail involved in the operation of combining the four existing systems. It would be appropriate to have this team approach as the Council considers the next round of Challenge Fund bids for CCTV. If successful in securing a Secondee from Strathclyde Police there would be no revenue implications for the company.

4.2 The Director of Planning & Development has written on behalf of the Council to the Chief Constable of Strathclyde Police requesting a Secondee to assist in the setting up of the new company.

5 Recommendation

Committee is asked to:-

- (i) Note the contents of this report.
- (ii) Homologate the actions of the Chairman of Town Centre Initiatives Ltd in accepting the grant of £7,500 awarded in this financial year.
- (iii) Homologate the actions of the Director of Planning & Development in writing to the Chief Constable of Strathclyde Police with a request for a Secondee.



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APPENDIX 1

PROJECT	FUNDING REQUESTED	FUNDING AWARDED
CCTV CO-ORDINATOR TCI LTD	£15,000.00	9 Months - £7,500 3 Month - £2,500
NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL HOUSING DEPARTMENT	£13,000	£11,000
AIRDRIE DEVELOPMENT TRUST	£39,040.00	£26,460.00 £25,000.00 (Salaries)
COATBRIDGE DEVELOPMENT TRUST	£35,000.00	£21,960.00 £20,500.00 (Salaries)
MOTHERWELL DEVELOPMENT TRUST	£20,085.00	£15,100.00 £9,000.00 (Salaries)
WISHAW DEVELOPMENT TRUST	£22,436.00	£19,000.00(Salaries)