

<b>Title of Report:</b>  <b>CCTV at Community Centres (Council Owned Community Managed)</b>	<b>Officer Presenting: Director of Health and Community</b>  <b>Author: Head of Community Development and Leisure</b>
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## **1 Purpose of Report/Recommendations**

- 1.1 To update Members on the current status of CCTV cameras in operation at Council's community centres in line with the introduction of the Council's new CCTV policy.
- 1.2 To seek approval for the Privacy Impact Assessment at Appendix 1, in line with Council's CCTV Policy and Operating Procedures.

## **2 Background**

- 2.1 CCTV cameras are currently in operation, both internally and externally, in four Council owned community centres - Creggan Community Centre (CNP), Mullabouy Community Centre, Shantallow Community Centre and Tullyally Community Centre.
- 2.2 The locations of CCTV cameras at Council owned community centres is attached in Appendix 2.
- 2.3 The four centres were chosen based on number of staff, opening hours, range of programmes provided, footfall, location and risk of anti-social behaviour.
- 2.4 The use of CCTV in community centres is now considered common place and significantly enhances the safety and wellbeing of staff and the public. It also enhances the protection of children and vulnerable adults; assists prevention, investigation and detection of crime and anti-social behaviour; and investigation into criminal activity.

## **3 Key Issues**

- 3.1 CCTV was installed in the community centre's to combat a variety of anti-social activity; the focus is on the security of the building, deterrent of thefts and possible assaults to staff. The centre's that have CCTV are large, active centres which have undergone major changes or recent refurbishment/renovation.
- 3.2 CCTV has been an effective tool in reducing the antisocial behaviour in the existing sites and in line with recommendations from internal audit regarding cash handling.

#### **4 Financial, Equality, Legal, HR, Improvement and other Implications**

- 4.1 There are no financial implications for Council as monitoring of the cameras is carried out under the existing arrangements at no additional cost.
- 4.2 The outlined CCTV cameras comply with Council's CCTV policy. Privacy impact assessments has been completed for all four sites.

#### **5 Recommendations**

- 5.1 That Members note the level of existing CCTV provision currently present in all four sites and monitor the need for installation in additional sites if the need arises.
- 5.2 To endorse the Privacy Impact Assessment completed for all four centres as outlined in Appendix 1.

#### **Background Papers**

Appendix 1: Privacy Impact Assessment

Appendix 2: CCTV camera location at Council owned Community Centres