

**6 April 2017**

**CCTV**

**Ward(s)** All

**Portfolios:** Cllr J Fitzpatrick – Community, Leisure and Culture.

**Executive summary**

The report sets out the current position relating to CCTV. That Cabinet approve the establishment of an agreement for the provision of Walsall's fixed and mobile CCTV service and retail radio with the West Midlands Combined Authority under its corporate branding of Transport for West Midlands, for a period of seven years, from 30 June 2017. Work is now underway to ensure the smooth transition of the service.

**Reason for scrutiny**

The Chair of the Corporate and Public Services Scrutiny Committee has asked for an update report on the latest position regarding CCTV.

**Recommendations**

That:

The Corporate and Public Services Scrutiny Committee note the report.

**Background papers**

None

**Latest position**

Cabinet, at its meeting on the 15 March 2017, made the following recommendations in relation to delivering CCTV:

“That Cabinet approve the establishment of an agreement for the provision of Walsall's fixed and mobile CCTV service and retail radio with the West Midlands Combined Authority under its corporate branding of Transport for West Midlands, for a period of seven years, from 30 June 2017.

That the Agreement referred to in 2.1 will be in accordance with Public Contracts

Regulation 2015, 12(7) which gives an exemption from open market competition.

That Cabinet delegate authority to the Executive Director for Change & Governance, in consultation with the portfolio-holder for Community, Leisure and Culture, to enter into an agreement as set out in recommendation 2.1 of this report and to subsequently authorise the sealing of any deeds, contracts or other related documents for such services.”

Officers are now putting together a transition team to ensure a smooth transition to the new provider. The team will include representatives from HR, Finance, Legal, CCTV, Information Governance and Community Safety.

The detailed negotiations between the West Midlands Combined Authority under its corporate branding of Transport for West Midlands and the council will be undertaken by the Head of Business Change, Legal and Finance representatives.

Contract transition time will be governed by the negotiations relating to the contract and the lead in times for BT lines and circuits.

Planning for the start of the upgrade of cameras will commence in April 2017.

Staff will be fully involved in the process through regular and appropriate briefings and involvement on the transition team.

The CCTV service transfers to Business Change on the 1 April 2017 with management support provided by Adult Social Care.

### **Resource and legal considerations**

There are no resource or legal considerations attached to this specific report.

### **Citizen impact**

The council CCTV system will provide greater reassurance to the public and improve the response to crime in the borough.

### **Environmental impact**

Not applicable.

### **Performance management**

Clear KPI's will be put in place as part of the new contract arrangements. The council will monitor the performance of these KPI's and the contract through the Community Safety team.

### **Equality implications**


There are no equality implications attached to this specific report.

## **Consultation**

Consultation with appropriate departments took place on the report that went to Cabinet on the 15 March 2017

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