

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL
COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM - 2 JUNE 2004

SPEED CAMERA CRITERIA

Report by Executive Director of Development and Property Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to advise the Forum of the status of the criteria used to determine the locations where a speed camera should be installed.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1** At its meeting of 3 December 2003, a report was submitted to the Forum detailing the criteria used to determine where speed cameras should be sited. A further report as to whether Dundonald Road met these criteria was submitted at the meeting of 3 March 2004 where it was noted that it did not meet the criteria. At that meeting it was requested that a further report be made on how the criteria were determined and what status they had.

3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1** The criteria have been set by the National Safety Camera Project Board who have oversight of the use of cameras. Membership consists of representatives for the Home Office, the Department for Transport, the Police, the Treasury and the Courts. The Board is the mechanism that the Government has decided will implement the relevant legislation.
- 3.2** At a local level Safety Camera Partnerships are set up between the Police and Local Authorities. A Partnership has to submit an operational case to the National Board for each proposed site and approval will not be granted unless it meets the criteria.
- 3.3** The criteria have been set by the National Board in order to ensure that cameras are only installed at sites that have a high number of speed-related crashes.
- 3.4** The criteria do not have legal status, but it is within the remit of the National Board to set criteria.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 The Forum is asked to note the contents of this report

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil

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