

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE -28 FEBRUARY 2001

"MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES SAFER" CHALLENGE COMPETITION 2001/2002- CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION PROJECTS

Report by Director of Community Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise the Committee of the outcome of the bids for funding made in respect of proposed CCTV projects in East Ayrshire.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 As in previous years, the Council made bids for funding through the "Make our Communities Safer" Challenge Competition administered by the Scottish Executive.
- 2.2 Six bids were prepared in respect of Community Safety projects and submitted to the Scottish Executive in October 2000. The bids were in respect of :-
- (i) The installation of 1 CCTV camera in Darvel.
 - (ii) The installation of 1 CCTV camera in Drongan. (iii) The Installation of 1 CCTV camera in Muirkirk.
 - (iv) The installation of 2 CCTV cameras in Newmilns.
 - (v) The upgrading of the CCTV system in Kilmarnock Town Centre.
 - (vi) The upgrading of the transmission links serving the systems in Galston, Kilmaurs and Stewarton.
- 2.3 The capital cost of the works described above was estimated at £207,573.12 and the total amount bid for was £103,786.56.

3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1 In letters dated 9 February 2001 the Scottish Executive, Justice Department advised that the bids in respect of the upgrading of the Kilmarnock Town Centre system and the upgrading of the transmission links serving Galston, Kilmaurs and Stewarton had been successful and that that the other four bids had not.
- 3.2 The table below sets out the costs of the successful projects and identifies the funding sources.

Project	Estimated Cost	Private Sector	Scottish Executive	Match Funding
Kilmarnock Town Centre	£32,435.20	Nil	£16,218.00	£16,217.20
Transmission	£50,137.92	Nil	£25,069.00	£25,068.92

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3.3 Following consultation with the Chair, these grants have been accepted. The Scottish Executive, Justice Department have been requested to provide reasons why the other four bids were unsuccessful.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The capital costs are outlined at paragraph 3.2 above. Revenue costs will be met from the existing budget. An application for revenue grant support will be submitted to the Chief Constable as part of his Challenge Fund scheme.

5. LEGAL AUTHORITY/IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Nil.

6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The development and improvement of CCTV systems is an integral part of the Council's Community Safety Strategy.

7. CONCLUSIONS

7.1 The Scottish Executive have awarded grants amounting to £41,287.00 in respect of two of the projects submitted for consideration in the "Make our Communities Safer" Challenge Competition 2001/2002.

7.2 The Scottish Executive, Justice Department have been requested to provide reasons why the other four bids were unsuccessful.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 It is recommended that the Committee :-

(i) Note the award of two grants totalling £41,287.00 from the Scottish Executive in respect of two proposed CCTV projects within East Ayrshire; and

(ii) Otherwise note the contents of the report.

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16 February 2001

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Bid documents submitted to the Scottish Executive -October 2000
2. Letters from the Scottish Executive dated 9 February 2001.

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