

# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

**DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:**

David Brazier, Cabinet Member – Environment & Transport

**DECISION NO:**

14/00103

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**Subject:** Upgrading Safety Camera Partnership Equipment

**Decision:**

As Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport, I agree to the upgrading of the Safety Camera Partnership equipment.

**Reason(s) for decision:**

KCC is part of the Kent and Medway Safety Camera Partnership (Kent Police, Highways Agency, Medway Council), and this decision is to allow us to undertake a project to replace the existing outdated technology on behalf of the partnership. The technology involved ('wet' film) is out-dated and in need of increasing maintenance to keep it operational. Through this project, efficiencies will be achieved and maintenance costs reduced. The funding is wholly from income received by Kent Police from people attending National Driver Offender Retraining Scheme (NDORS) courses in Kent and Medway and must go back into Safety Camera and/or Road Safety Partnerships as directed by the Secretary of State.

**Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:**

The Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 September 2014 recommended (13 in favour, 1 against) that the Cabinet Member gives approval for KCC to progress with this project.

The upgrade is a key action contained within the Kent Road Casualty Reduction Strategy (2014 - 2020), which was adopted by KCC as part of the key decision process earlier this year. The Strategy was the subject of a full consultation between 24<sup>th</sup> December 2013 and 24<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

**Any alternatives considered:**

Safety Cameras are an important element in KCC's Road Casualty Reduction Strategy for Kent, both in respect of enforcement by Kent Police and education programmes undertaken by KCC. KCC is the provider for NDORS courses in Kent and Medway on behalf of Kent Police. In 2013/14 we provided training to 30,260 clients choosing this as an alternative to a fine and licence points.

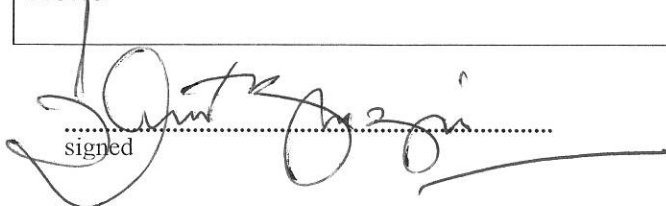
This upgrade will go hand in hand with a comprehensive review to ensure the sites continue to reduce casualties. It is expected that a good number of sites will be replaced by mobile enforcement and some will be decommissioned.

**Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:**

None

signed

date



27.10.14