

PAPER A

The purpose of this Report is to update members on the progress of installing CCTV at Ventnor Esplanade Public toilets as agreed by the committee

1) BACKGROUND

- a) The Full Council agreed to instal CCTV at Ventnor Esplanade Public Toilets, and a quote was agreed by this committee.
- b) This Committee was updated in April, with a long list of requirements from Island Roads. In recognition of the challenges of proceeding with the originally designed CCTV system, it was agreed to alter the design to remove cameras from structures not belonging to Ventnor Town Council.

2) ONGOING DISCUSSIONS

a) The Policy, Premises and Projects officer is due to meeting with Lifeline Security on 30th June in order to discuss changes to the system as detailed above to ensure that the equipment operates as VTC would like, on our property only.

3) FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- a) As was noted at the Full Council meeting on 9th June 2025, Ventnor Town Council's finances are not in a good position, with a negative reserves balance.
- b) It had been planned to set aside funds from the reserves by accruing for this expenditure from the 2024-25 Budget. Because of the deficit, this has not been possible.
- c) There is no specific budget line for this planned expenditure as it was not included as part of the Precept budget for this financial year for the reason detailed above.
- d) It is still anticipated that the cost of installing the system would be in the region of £2,100.

4) **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Members are recommended to consider whether to:

• Defer the installation of CCTV at the Esplanade toilets to 2026-27 and include this project as a distinct item on the budget for that year

Or

• Allocate a portion of the "Capital Repairs" budget line towards the CCTV installation