TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

16 October 2019

Report of the Director of Central Services and Deputy Chief Executive together with the Director of Street Scene, Leisure and Technical Services

Part 1- Public

Matters for Recommendation to Council

1 REVIEW OF COMMUNITY SAFETY

1.1 Background

1.1.1 A number of options relating to a review of community safety, including the provision of CCTV, were set out in the report considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 10 October 2019.

1.2 Legal Implications

1.2.1 As set out in the report to Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 10 October 2019.

1.3 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

1.3.1 As set out in the report to Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 10 October 2019.

1.4 Risk Assessment

1.4.1 As set out in the report to Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 10 October 2019.

1.5 Equality Impact Assessment

1.5.1 To ensure that the Borough Council have due regard to equality duties, an Equality Impact Assessment will be undertaken if it is opted to make any changes to the current CSU provision. This would need to be reported back to Cabinet to allow the impact of any recommendations to be fully considered. It is not considered that the provision of CCTV is a function that impacts upon a specific group with protected characteristics in any different way to other end users and any service changes recommended would have a remote or low relevance to the substance of the Equality Act.

1.6 Policy Considerations

- Customer Contact
- Communications

Community

1.7 Recommendations

That, in respect of CCTV:

- (1) the operation be retained at its current level; and
- (2) the Borough Council write to the Kent Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Executive of Clarion Housing Group regarding the level of financial contribution towards the operation of CCTV.

That, in respect of the Community Safety Partnership:

- (1) growth to the Borough Council's budget be accepted and the provision of the Community Safety Services be retained at the current level of resource; and
- (2) the Borough Council write to the Kent Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Executive of Clarion Housing Group regarding the level of financial contribution and general support towards the operation of the Community Safety Unit.

Background papers:

Overview and Scrutiny Committee report dated 10 October 2019

Overview and Scrutiny Committee scoping report dated 29 August 2019

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