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Thank you for your letter dated 02nd December 2019 and raising the query regarding CCTV that has been made by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The question of funding for CCTV is one that has been raised on a number of occasions by the Districts. My position on this is that if the Councils wish to use the Crime Reduction Grant I provide to them to support their CCTV network, then this is not an issue. This is already taking place in a number of areas with around £110,927 allocated from this grant to support CCTV during 2019/20. However, CCTV provision is not a core function for the Police and it is up to Local Authorities to decide what the CCTV service looks like going forward.

I hope this clarifies my position regarding the funding support I have made available for CCTV.

Yours sincerely

Matthew Scott
Kent Police and Crime Commissioner