

**UNADOPTED
POLEGATE TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Special Full Council meeting held on Monday 24th October
2016 Council Chambers, 49 High Street, Polegate BN26 6AL at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllrs D Watts, D Dunbar, Ms A Snell, Mrs W Alexander, M Falkner, Mrs M Piper, E Board, D Murray, D Shing, B Goodwin, (10)

Not Present: - Cllrs R Shing, S Shing, T Bennett, Mrs C Berry, S Dobson (5)

1 member of the public

Minute	Subject/Resolution
11882	Opportunity for public comment <i>Standing orders suspended</i> A member of the public spoke about the CCTV – copy attached. Mr Deaud addressed the questions raised by the member of the public. Claude Deaud from Sussex Police made a presentation to the council regarding the current situation with the High Street CCTV, the cost implications and the future contract which was in negotiation. Slides were available to the Councillors present. The presentation detailed the number of incidents that the CCTV had assisted in Polegate and the costs for each part of the partnership. In summary, Mr Deaud stated that the council was currently borrowing a camera, and the camera would need to be replaced. The second hand option was the lowest cost and with the new contract in negotiations it was likely that the current price of a new analogue or digital camera would be less than at present. He also mentioned that under the new contract there were a number of possibilities, including a Wi-Fi hotspot which may be able to recoup funding for the CCTV through advertising, 360 cameras and the council could budget and plan to change these during the duration of the contract and not necessarily at the beginning. It was likely that further details of the contract would be available between December and March. <i>Standing order reinstated</i>
11883	Apologies for absence Cllrs R Shing, Mrs S Dobson, S Shing, T Bennett
11884	Declarations of interest in any items on the agenda None
11885	CCTV High Street <i>Many comments were made during the presentation.</i> Councillors commented on the safety and perceived safety of the public. Those councillors who had visited the control room commented on the impressive way the CCTV was monitored and used and whilst present witnessed first-hand how incidents are dealt with by the police. A councillor commented that incidents in and around the taxi rank had improved since the use of CCTV. Many councillors stated their support of the CCTV cameras within the town and their wish for them to remain. A councillor commented that it would be in the region of £20,000 to reinstate the cameras should they be decommissioned and probably more in the future and if the CCTV were to be removed it would inevitably lead to it not being financially possible for any future council to reinstate them. The decommissioning price was very expensive and it would be financially better to select the second hand camera until the new contract details were known. A councillor commented that it would be useful (having seen the statistics about public perception) that the council inform the residents what their decision was and why and how the CCTV was used etc. To address the questions that the general population seems to be unaware of. A comment was made on the CCTV with regards to being a deterrent (or not)

and the fact that better street lighting was better at lowering crime rates. The motion as it stood was amended to read "To purchase the second hand Bosch Mic 400 for £750 immediately and to renegotiate the contract as soon as possible after the details are known (expected December 2016), to potentially upgrade the camera(s) and to add around £3500 to the existing budget to bring a total of £6000.

Following an extensive discussion and references to the previous discussions at the full council meeting and references to Claude's presentation

It was resolved to purchase the second hand Bosch Mic 400 for £750 immediately and to renegotiate the contract as soon as possible after the details are known (expected December 2016), to potentially upgrade the camera(s) and to add around £3500 to the existing budget to bring a total of £6000 VOTE All in favour Cllrs D Watts, D Dunbar, Ms A Snell, Mrs W Alexander, M Falkner, Mrs M Piper, E Board, D Murray, D Shing, B Goodwin

The meeting closed at 8.31pm

Signed Mayor _____

Date _____