



**PORTFOLIO AREA: ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND  
TRANSPORT**

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Date of Meeting: 7th July 2003

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Key Decision: No

Recorded in Forward Plan: No

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Title: RESIDENTS PETITION - CCTV CAMERA FOR MELBOURNE  
PARK

Report of: HEAD OF COMMERCIAL & TECHNICAL SERVICES

Report reference: CTS 18/03

**Summary:**

A petition has been presented by Cllr Anne Quilter, on behalf of residents on Adelaide Street, Melbourne Road and the surrounding area. Residents are requesting the installation of a CCTV camera to help deal with problems of crime and disorder.

This report give details of the petition and suggests that this issue be considered by the CCTV Working Group which is being set up under the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership.

**Recommendations:**

It is recommended that this request be forwarded to the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership to assess the relative priority and identify/pursue funding sources.

Contact Officer: Keith Poole

Ext: 5073

Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers: None

## **1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND OPTIONS**

- 1.1 A copy of a petition submitted by Cllr Quilter on behalf of residents in the area around Adelaide Street is enclosed in the Appendix to this report. Due to incidents of crime and disorder residents are requesting the installation of a CCTV camera to monitor the area. A plan of the area is also enclosed for information.
- 1.2 Over recent years the majority of new CCTV cameras have been funded by a capital allocation through the Home Office Crime Reduction Programme. This source of funding is however no longer available with the closure of the programme, it will therefore be necessary in future to identify new sources of funding for the provision, monitoring and maintenance of cameras. To assist this process the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership is setting up a Working Group to consider all aspects related to CCTV. This new group is due to hold its first meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2003.

## **2. CONSULTATION**

- 2.1 Consultation to Date – No consultation has so far taken place.
- 2.2 Consultation proposed – It is proposed that this petition be considered by the CCTV Working Group at present being set up by the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership. This Group will carry out any relevant consultation.

## **3. RECOMMENDATIONS**

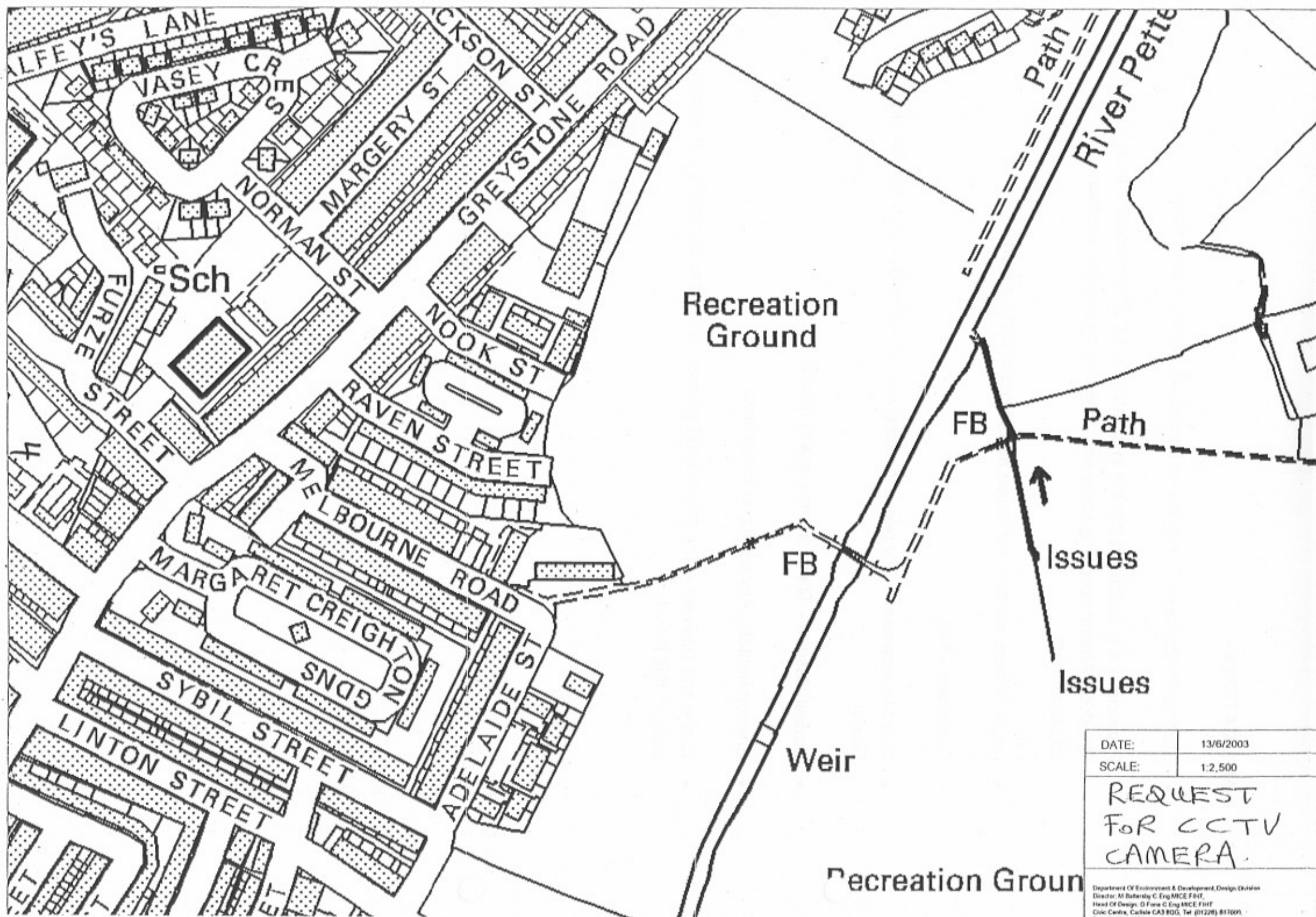
It is recommended that this request be forwarded to the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership to assess the relative priority and identify/pursue funding sources.

## **4. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Council has received a number of requests like this for CCTV cameras. It is considered that these are only effective when part of a package of measures to address specific problem areas and the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership is best placed to address this request.

## 5. IMPLICATIONS

- Staffing/Resources – There are no immediate staffing implications.
- Financial – It is estimated that the installation of a CCTV camera is likely to cost £20,000. Annual operating costs would then be required of approx. £5,000/annum.
- Legal – There are no legal issues associated with this report.
- Corporate – N/A
- Risk Management – Any relevant issues would be considered by the Working Group.
- Equality Issues – There are no equality issues.
- Environmental – Any reduction in incidents.
- Crime and Disorder – The Crime and Disorder issues are discussed in the main body of this report.



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REQUEST FOR CCTV CAMERA.	
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From Councillor:  
**Anne Quilter**

**City Councillor for:**  
St Aidans

12<sup>th</sup> June 2003

Dear Peter

Petition re Melbourne Park, CCTV Camera

Please find enclosed a petition undertaken by local residents regarding their request for a CCTV camera to be placed at the entrance to Melbourne Park, Melbourne Road. I fully support this petition and I would be grateful if you could arrange for this to be placed on the Executive Agenda as soon as practicable.

I will support this petition at the meeting and there are also several residents who would also like to come along in support. I would be grateful, therefore, if you could arrange this for me and inform me of the date when this can take place. If, however, this were not the relevant course of action, I would be grateful for your advice. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Anne Quilter

1 June 2003

We the undersigned residents of Carlisle petition Carlisle City Council to provide a CCTV camera at the entrance to Melbourne Park, on the corner of Melbourne Road and Adelaide Street.

We believe that a CCTV camera will assist in reducing crime and acts of disorderly behaviour which are increasing in our area. We have had our vehicles damaged in wanton acts of criminal damage and our peace of mind disturbed by drunken young people using the park.

Youths on motor cycles ride across the park and on the footpath posing a serious danger to pedestrians, children playing and people walking their dogs. Many older residents are in fear of using the park because of the motor cycles and the numerous teenage gangs assembling there.

We the undersigned hope that Carlisle City Council will provide this CCTV camera as a deterrant to those who have no regard for our safety, our property and our rights as citizens to live our lives without fear.