

BROXTOWE TOWN CENTRE AND SURROUNDING AREAS - CONSIDERATION FOR CAMERA SURVEILLANCE REMOVAL, ALTERATION AND UPGRADE

Broxtowe Borough Council believe there is still a pressing need with legitimate aims to justify upgrading and modernising the existing surveillance system throughout the borough of Broxtowe. The Council is proposing to remove old redundant surveillance cameras and upgrade a number of other surveillance cameras within the four main town centres and surrounding areas. The proposal will take advantage of modern technology where possible to ensure appropriateness and proportionality to minimising loss of surveillance coverage when upgrading the surveillance system. The surveillance cameras will continue to assist in the prevention, investigation and detection of crime, the apprehension and prosecution of offenders, help maintain public order, assist with reduction of vandalism and help to reduce the fear of crime in vulnerable public locations. The surveillance system may also be used to support the statutory obligations and duties of the Council and serve to resolve complaints against others.

The use of surveillance cameras in public places is compliant with the Council's Surveillance Code of Practice, adheres to the principles of the Data Protection Act 2018 and is operated in accordance with, articles of the Human Rights Act 1998 and Protection of Freedoms Act 2012.

Maximum deterrent value will be achieved by having surveillance cameras clearly visible and the areas covered by surveillance will be clearly indicated by the use of mounted signs. Signs will be deployed on the main access routes into each area covered by the surveillance system and also at strategic locations within the designated area.

To ensure privacy, a Data Privacy Impact Assessment (DPIA) will be carried out in conjunction with the alterations. Images from the system will only be viewed by trained and authorised operators, some surveillance cameras will be set on a pre-set patrol and focused to minimise public intrusion. Images from the surveillance cameras will be recorded in accordance with existing operational procedures. There is no sound recording undertaken from any part of this system.

Directed surveillance will only be undertaken with the consent of the proper authorities and in accordance with the law.

Surveillance equipment will be positioned or repositioned so that it's extent covers only the areas that are intended to be monitored. If the surveillance area borders private properties, every effort will be made to ensure that any private areas are redacted or covered by privacy zones, which cannot be viewed and will not be recorded.

If you wish to comment on or have any concerns to the proposals outlined in the enclosed documents, we would be pleased to hear from you in writing by 2pm on Wednesday 30th November 2022 – **please quote "BBC Town Centre Consultation"** on any correspondence. Otherwise, the Council will assume that you have no comments or concerns at this stage.

Should you require further information or clarification on any points arising from the proposal please contact the Council's Camera Surveillance and Security Manager on 0115 917 3680 during normal office hours or email: cctv@broxtowe.gov.uk

For further information on the council surveillance systems please visit the council's website: www.broxtowe.gov.uk