

WEST CORNFORTH CCTV REPORT APRIL 07 TO JULY 07



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SUMMARY

Over the period 01/04/07 to 31/07/07 there were 32 captured incidents. This compares to 16 in the same period in 2006 (an increase of 100%). Of these incidents:

- High Street West CCTV captured the most at 38% (12)
- Anti Social Behaviour was the highest recordable incident at 34% (11)
- Suspicious Behaviour was the 2nd highest at 28% (9)
- No faults were reported for the CCTV Units in West Cornforth
- 9 arrest were made
- Community Safety alerted to 10 incidents or activities

CCTV CAMERAS DEPLOYED IN WEST CORNFORTH

The current array of cameras is programmed to receive upgrades and modifications over the next 12 months. This may include complete swap-out where relevant. The deployment of cameras within West Cornforth is robust and the coverage and density of CCTV around the High Street area is logical.

	Camera No	Camera Type	Remarks
Play Area	71	PTZ	Funded By WC TC
High Street West	72	PTZ	Funded By WC TC
High Street Central	73	PTZ	Funded By WC TC
High Street East	74	PTZ	Funded By WC TC

CCTV CAMERA ACTIVITY (APR 07 – JUL 07)

The following table highlights CCTV activity by camera in West Cornforth. The statistics validate locality or demonstrate where cameras are not optimised. In the case of West Cornforth; there are no reasons to remove or relocate CCTV units. The application of multiple cameras is a case in question that demonstrates the value of overlapping CCTV coverage.

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Totals	%
Multi Cameras Used	2	5	2	0	9	28
Play Area	1	1	1	1	4	13
High Street West	5	2	2	3	12	38
High Street Central	0	1	1	1	3	9
High Street East	0	1	2	1	4	13
Totals	8	10	8	6	32	

INCIDENTS CAPTURED BY CCTV (APR 07 – JUL 07)

As the table clearly shows, there has been a 100% increase in the capture of CCTV incidents. The operational problems experienced in 2006 impacted on Apr and May figures and monitoring capability.

The investment in new CCTV equipment and technology for the Control Centre has already ready demonstrated a pay-back. The additional investment in Operators and the appropriate training has improved monitoring capability and awareness to protocols and procedures.

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Totals	%
Anti Social Behaviour	3	4	2	2	11	34
Vehicle Related	1	0	1	2	4	13
Fire	0	1	0	0	1	3
Assault	1	0	0	1	2	6
Criminal Behaviour	2	1	1	1	5	16
Suspicious Behaviour	1	4	4	0	9	28
Totals 07/08	8	10	8	6	32	
Totals 06/07	1	5	5	5	16	
Variance +/-	+7	+5	+3	+1	+16	

REPORTING OF INCIDENTS (APR 07 – JUL 07)

The table clearly shows that the majority of incidents continue to be reported by the Police. This is where the Police will request CCTV to monitor or observe incidents or potential areas of concern. The Control Centre also proactively monitors the Police radio communications for possible situations and responds accordingly.

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Totals	%
Police	5	2	5	5	17	53
Operator	3	6	3	1	13	41
Neighbourhood Warden	0	2	0	0	2	6
Totals	8	10	8	6	32	

POLICE RESPONSE TO INCIDENTS (APR 07 – JUL 07)

The Control Centre still has problems with reporting feedback on the outcome of Police response. The lack of feedback is concerning. However, there has been a significant increase in CCTV Reviews. In 2006 for the same period, 8 reviews were conducted compared to 13 in 2007 (an increase of 5 or 62%).

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Totals	%
Arrest Made	3	1	0	5	9	28
Patrol Undertaken	1	2	0	0	3	9
Details Not Known	0	2	4	0	6	19
Vehicle/Persons Stopped/ Searched	0	0	0	1	1	3
CCTV Review Police	4	5	4	0	13	41
Totals	8	10	8	6	32	

CONTROL CENTRE ACTIVITY (APR 07 – JUL 07)

The Control Centre proactively patrols and monitors CCTV where requests for assistance or direct surveillance are called upon. These situations are generated by either the Police or suspicious activity identified by operators in routine patrolling. In this reporting period, 49% (20) of incidents generate protracted monitoring and patrolling activity.

The Control Centre also conducted 27 CCTV Reviews created by activity of a suspicious nature. In some instances these were passed to the Police. In 10 instances these were passed to the Neighbourhood Wardens and/or Street Scene teams' further investigation.

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Totals	%
Police Alerted to Incident	2	4	0	0	6	15
Neighbourhood Warden Alerted	0	0	4	0	4	10
Area Patrol Carried CCTV	5	4	6	5	20	49
CCTV Review	1	2	0	8	11	27
Totals	8	10	10	13	41	

Where an Operator identifies activity or suspects an incident direct contact the Police is made. The Police Control Centre can also monitor CCTV activity via the cameras deployed across the Borough.