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Forest of Dean District Council

Project:

Install, service and maintain

Client:

Forest of Dean District Council

Value:

£350,000+ (over the contract period)

Overview:

In spite of the relatively low crime rate in the region, the Forest of Dean District Council's Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership recognised that issues such as crime, disorder, drug use and anti-social behaviour were still having a considerable impact on the quality of life of several residents.

The Partnership's strategic assessment identified a priority list of criminal behaviours which the council wished to focus on reducing – especially anti-social behaviour and criminal damage.

The council also felt it was important to add a sense of security and reassurance to the community, with the aim of improving general quality of life for residents.

The existing public access space CCTV security system was one significant anti-crime measure which the council felt could be of great benefit, and so CDS was appointed to review and improve the current system.

Project description:

The client's existing PAS CCTV system comprised 28 cameras across a conventional system using fibre optic transmission to cover the town centres of Coleford, Cinderford, Newent and Lydney.

CDS upgraded the cameras to allow for digital recording, which allows CCTV footage to be searched more easily. The system operator need only enter a date and time into the system to recover footage, or can navigate along an on-screen timeline. The control room for the network was also upgraded by CDS to take advantage of this quicker technology.

CDS has been working with Forest of Dean District Council since 2001, providing ongoing security system reviews and equipment upgrading, service and maintenance to help the council deliver a safe and secure environment for its residents and businesses.