
ADDITIONAL PROJECTS - THE GRANGE

Committee: Asset Development Committee

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1.0 ISSUE

1.1 Inadequate security at 'The Grange' and replacement equipment for the Council Chamber

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 Members are asked to approve the additional expenditure detailed below;-:

- the installation of an intruder alarm for 'The Grange'.
- the upgrade of CCTV cameras in and around 'The Grange'
- upgrading the council chamber lighting
- audio visual replacement within the Council Chamber

3.0 BACKGROUND/ OPTIONS

3.1 'The Grange' at the present time has no intruder alarm. During heightened periods of security it has been highlighted that now is an appropriate and justifiable time to install such a system.

This would also include the installation of a fit for purpose CCTV system in interview room's, main reception and externally to cover both entrances and car parks, not currently covered. It would also enable any recorded material to be of a standard that would support prosecutions.

3.2 The current equipment and lighting within the Council Chamber has proved to be inadequate and unable to deliver presentations of suitable quality to Planning and other Committees.

The lighting in the Chamber is well below the standard required by current regulation under both health & safety and building regulations.

Quotations have now been received and approval for this additional spend is requested.

The proposal is to replace the existing AV and audio systems with a professional system capable of multi laptop presentations with ability for split projection.

4.0 ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS

4.1 The Grange is currently at risk of having no security monitoring in place and needs to be protected due to the heightened security levels of the country.

The lighting in the Chamber falls significantly below the required standards and needs to be upgraded to the acceptable standard under current regulation.

The audio visual equipment needs to be upgraded as the current provision is not fit for purpose.

Members are recommended to approve these projects. The financial implications are set out in 5.1 below.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/ EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 The approximate costs:

Installation of Intruder Alarm - £6,617.00

Upgrade and installation of additional security cameras - £12,352.64

Council Chamber lighting upgrade - £3,923

Audio Visual replacement - £20,105

This expenditure was not included in the maintenance schedule for 2017/18 asset management maintenance programme.

5.2 Permission to allow a variation of +/- 10% on the cumulative cost is requested to allow for equipment cost variations at time of order and to cover costs that may be incurred when mains power circuits are fully investigated by the East Cambridgeshire contracted electrician.

5.3 Equality Impact Assessment (INRA) not required.

Background Documents

Location

Room 021
The Grange, Ely

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