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POLICE AND CRIME
COMMISSIONER

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Request:

It seems an awful long time since the promise of upgrading CCTV in the Dyfed Powys Police area was made by the Commissioner and also the building of a custody suite in Dafen Llanelli. Trawling through the various publications made available to the public the progress seems to be very slow and no updates are ever provided by the OPCC OFFICE . Also a previous request to find out what was happening to Kidwelly police station (now empty and over grown).

Clarification:

WHEN IS THIS SYSTEM GOING TO BE OPERATIONAL AS WE HAVE BEEN TOLD IT WAS GOING TO BE IN EARLY 2018 ,IT IS NOW MID 2018 ,AND STILL NO DATE FOR BEING PROVIDED

Response:

I can confirm that there is no information held by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) due to the fact that the date in which the system is going to be operational is not held by the OPCC. However, this information may be held by Dyfed-Powys Police Force.

In addition to this, as a gesture of goodwill, the OPCC can advise the following, which may be of some assistance –

“The CCTV project has progressed to the point of appointing the Main-contractor which will deliver the work across 17 towns. The first town will be Builth Wells which will be complete before the Royal Welsh Show, then on to Carmarthen, Newton, Llanelli etc.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner continues with the pre-construction investigation stage of the project, confirming that from an ecological and geotechnical perspective the site could accommodate our future needs. Close and regular communication with the land owner continues as we prepare for a consultation with the public around the location and build, prior to going to planning. It is anticipated to be coordinating the consultation process with the public in September this year.

Kidwelly station has been used by Police staff as a forward operating facility from Burry Port, we have been in discussion with key representatives and other organisations around the use of an alternative base in Kidwelly. An announcement on the long term location will be made shortly.”

Also, Please see the below hyperlink regarding CCTV in Dyfed-Powys Police which may also be of some assistance –

<https://www.dyfed-powys.police.uk/en/accessing-information/cctv-in-dyfed-powys-police/>