

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon - MoN - City Safe CCTV Network

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Council

Council Member
Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor
Carmel Noon

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MOTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Carmel Noon will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

'That Council:

1. Notes the Administration's response to the Deputy Lord Mayor's Question on Notice considered by Council on 8 September 2026 regarding the City Safe CCTV Network, including that:
 - while the network was upgraded through the \$3 million CCTV Smart Technology Project completed in 2024, the last full evaluation of the City Safe CCTV Network undertaken jointly by the City of Adelaide and SAPOL was in 2003; and
 - Administration has identified opportunities for CCTV coverage to be expanded into other areas of the city and North Adelaide where risks to community safety are identified.
2. Requests the Chief Executive Officer, in collaboration with SAPOL, to undertake a strategic review of the City Safe CCTV Network, including:
 - current CCTV coverage and any geographic gaps across the city and North Adelaide;
 - areas identified through SAPOL intelligence as presenting increased risks to personal safety;
 - areas identified through feedback from residents, businesses and Precinct Groups, including relevant precinct safety and security audits;
 - opportunities to improve or expand CCTV coverage as part of Main Street, public realm and other capital projects;
 - the effectiveness and future capacity of the existing network; and
 - opportunities for State and Federal Government funding or other partnerships to support future expansion.
3. Requests that the outcomes of the review, including identified priority locations, indicative costs and funding options, be presented to Council in time to inform consideration of the 2027/28 Business Plan and Budget.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. The City of Adelaide owns and maintains the public CCTV system known as the City Safe CCTV Network (CSN), and the Police Security Services Branch (PSSB), a security monitoring service provider internal to South Australia Police (SAPOL), undertakes the operation and monitoring.
 - 1.1. Additionally, the Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) leverages the CSN to monitor intersections for the purpose of traffic flow management.
2. It was previously reported to Council on 8 September 2026 that the last known full evaluation of the CSN was undertaken in 2003.
 - 2.1. Additional search in preparing this administration comment found that a strategic review of the CSN was undertaken by external consultants in 2017.
3. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and Operating Guidelines between the City of Adelaide Corporation and SAPOL for the CSN have been in place since 2001. The stated purpose of the MoU is to “govern the relationship between the Corporation and SAPOL in its joint management of the CCTV system”.
4. The existing MoU and Operating Guidelines are currently being reviewed by the City of Adelaide and SAPOL.
5. To support any future expansion of the CSN, the Administration recommends a separate body of work to review the governance framework and associated mechanisms, including the MoU and Operating Guidelines, used for the joint management of the CSN by the City of Adelaide and SAPOL should be undertaken.
6. Direction from Council on whether the strategic review should include every street and laneway in the city and North Adelaide would assist in understanding the scale of the task and timeframes required to deliver the review.
7. Council Administration has interpreted the proposed motion includes the City Square but excludes other parts of the Adelaide Park Lands.
8. The review proposed by the proposed motion is currently unfunded in 2026/27 and would require a budget of between \$50,000 to \$100,000 depending on the final scope and timeframe.
9. Based on the budget review cycle and work required to initiate the project, it is unlikely that the review will be finalised in time to be considered as part of the 2027/28 Business Plan and Budget.
10. Advice will need to be sought from SAPOL, PSSB and DIT as to their capacity to collaborate and meet the timeframes proposed by the proposed motion. The Administration does not have visibility on their budget commitments and work programs and given that the primary use of the City Safe CCTV Network is with SAPOL, their input into the scoping and timing for delivery of this proposal is critical.
11. One approach to managing the scale of the review and the other factors listed above is to take a programmed approach, based on a prioritisation of locations across a more extended timescale.

Should the proposed motion be supported by Council, the following implications of this motion should be considered. Note any costs provided are estimates only – no quotes or prices have been obtained:	
Public consultation	Engagement with SAPOL as to the scope and timing of the proposed review is strongly recommended prior to proceeding. Consultation will then be required with SAPOL, PSSB and DIT to formalise the scope and program of work. There is also an opportunity to consult with Precinct Groups.
External consultant advice	Preparation of a City Safe CCTV Network Strategic Review. Preparation of indicative costings based on outcomes from the Strategic Review.
Legal advice / litigation (eg contract breach)	Legal advice may be sought if this motion progresses on any duty of care for the City of Adelaide and SAPOL in context of the review’s findings.
Impacts on existing projects	Not applicable

Budget reallocation	Budget reallocation in the existing 2026/27 budget for the engagement of external consultants to undertake the review. The review is estimated at between \$50,000 to \$100,000 in consultant costs pending the final scope and timeframe for completion.
Capital investment	Dependent on the outcomes from the review.
Staff time in preparing the workshop / report requested in the motion	Approximately 200 hours of staff time will be required to undertake the activities outlined in this proposed motion including overseeing the consultancy and consultation with SAPOL, PSSB, DIT and Precinct Groups.
Other	Not applicable
Staff time in receiving and preparing this administration comment	To prepare this administration comment in response to the motion on notice took approximately 7.5 hours.

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