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Authority Approves Close Circuit TV Funding

Humberston Police Authority's Communities and Partnerships Committee has agreed to fund the purchase of CCTV cameras to cover the area around Holme-on-Spalding-Moor Village Hall.

The equipment, which costs £1176, will be sited in the vicinity of the village hall to both help detect anyone committing criminal damage or anti-social behaviour and provide an effective deterrent.

The funding has been provided from the Authority's Police Property Act Fund. Under the Police (Disposal of Property) Regulations 1975, monies in this Fund are used to make payments to charitable causes as agreed by the Police Authority. This is money recovered by the Police Force which cannot be traced back to its rightful owner.

Chair of the Village Hall Committee, Nick Evans, said that expensive new equipment was planned for the play area and that the committee was keen to have additional security in place before its installation.

"The Authority's decision to approve our application is very welcome and much appreciated," he said. "We had applied for help in a previous round of funding allocations, but were unsuccessful due to the large volume of projects applying at the time. However, we re-applied, explaining that we were keen to upgrade our existing equipment to try and prevent rowdy behaviour, petty vandalism and joyriding.

"We are sincerely grateful to the Authority for its understanding and assistance."

John Mabbett, the Police Authority's Consultation and Partnership Manager said that the Authority always considered such applications carefully. "We had over 50 applications for funding last year," he said. "It's unfortunate that we can't help them all, much though we would like to. We were therefore pleased that when Holme-on-Spalding-Moor Village Hall Committee approached us for a second time we were in a position to help."

The new CCTV cameras will complement the existing equipment, giving a far greater coverage of the area around the Village Hall. The new equipment has now been ordered and is due to be installed in October.

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