



# BODY WORN CAMERA ANNUAL REPORT

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## PURPOSE OF REPORT

To review the use of Body Worn Cameras and decide if it is necessary to continue.

### Why Body worn Cameras were introduced.

- A significant reduction in reputational risk was expected as there was less scope for complaints regarding Officer behaviour.
- To de-escalate confrontational situations speedily
- To provide evidence in cases of prosecution by the police.
- To provide support, reassurance and confidence within the users.

### Difference since Body Worn Cameras were introduced.

- Officers feel more secure when conflict arises knowing that everything is being recorded for evidential purposes.
- Confrontational situations are quickly resolved once the aggressor realises that everything is being recorded.
- Reduction in serious incidents reported by Officers thus increasing Officers safety.

### Decision to continue using Body Worn Cameras.

- Body worn cameras will be used within North Essex Parking Partnership for another year, as evidence dictates a reduction in serious incidents reported from before they were introduced thus increasing Officers safety.
- We will continue to operate our Body Worn Cameras in compliance with legislation set out by the Surveillance Camera Commissioner.

Financial Year	2018/19	2019/20
Serious Incidents reported	20	22
Serious Incidents reported to Police	16	12
Discs of evidential footage provided to Police	2	5
Visits to NEPP to view evidential footage by Police	0	0
Visits to NEPP to view evidential footage by members of the public	0	0

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