



CCTV – existing camera/hardware removal

While much focus is being attributed to the new CCTV system and installation including the best location of the cameras – I remain concerned that the need to remove the redundant hardware and equipment is being overlooked.

New cameras are being placed where agreed and necessary but also to suit the improvement in technology and the ability to obtain imagery sufficient to enable prosecution if necessary.

However, this means that we have not looked at the old equipment as this is invariably located in different places to the new.

Within the conservation area there are at least three existing redundant cameras which are unsightly and should, in my opinion, be removed.

The following are the 4# obvious cameras that should be considered for removal:

Post Office corner (left), RB Plant (right)



Permission will be needed from the building owners and safe access to remove the cameras, brackets and associated 'boxes' – allowance should also be made to cut back and cap off any associated cables/wires etc.

There are also two pole mounted cameras – one in the Maidstone Road car park and the other in the churchyard. The one in the churchyard is significant and unsightly. Removal will be a major task (and removal of the base?). It is unlikely that there is an alternative location where this pole can be reused.

The pole in the car park is shorter and could potentially be reused (behind the cricket pavilion) subject to the ability to gate the relevant lifting equipment necessary to re-erect it in the (yet to be) agreed location.

Note that the pole in the churchyard will 'fold' whereas the one in the car park does not.

High access platform will be needed for the two building mounted items, hi-ab crane is likely to be needed to remove the stand-alone poles.

