



# Eastcote Park Estate Association

<http://www.eastcoteparkestate.org.uk>

## SECURITY CONSULTATION JUNE 2021

### CCTV and ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) Cameras

Whilst the police deem our area to be a low crime area, there have been a number of car and house crimes in the last year or two. This was discussed at length at our AGM on 5th May 2021 (on Zoom) with several residents being very keen for something to be done. The possibility of employing a private security company to visit the estate and the possibility of installing CCTV cameras and ANPR cameras were both raised at the meeting. The committee were tasked with carrying out some further work and with bringing a proposal to residents.

Initial investigations suggest visiting private security guards would incur an ongoing cost of approximately £50.00 per month (£600.00 per year) for every home covered and we would need a good proportion of the estate to agree to pay this cost to make it feasible. We have also heard anecdotes of private security guards not effectively stopping, or even reporting, crime when they see one in progress. There is evidence that professional CCTV and ANPR cameras are more effective at catching criminals which should hopefully stop their future activities. Much of our evidence on this has come from a project in Ickenham which has been successful in giving Police evidence that has enabled them to catch criminals. The cost of such cameras will require a contribution from residents but at a much more affordable level than private security. We are therefore consulting on a proposal to have CCTV and ANPR Cameras installed. There is more information in the following pages. When you have read these please complete **both sides** of the cut off strip below and deliver it to: **The Web manager** ,



<b>Please tick the appropriate boxes in either the left or right column and enter an amount in the last row :</b>	<b>Yes in favour / interested</b>	<b>No not in in favour / interested</b>
In favour of installation of cameras as detailed in EPEA security flyer June 2021.		
I would be interested in attending a meeting in person to find out more (as soon as government restrictions allow)		
I would be interested in attending a Zoom meeting to find out more.		
	<b>Yes - Happy to pay a share of cost</b>	<b>No - Not happy to bear a share of the cost</b>
I am prepared to pay the share of the cost per home		
Maximum amount I would be prepared to pay (1 box only)	£....	£....

## CCTV and ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) Cameras

### Who is the proposed supplier ?

Our Safer Neighbourhood Team has identified Camsec Security Limited as a reliable and affordable company. The company was formed in 2015 and is run by its two directors Phil Jarvis and Chris Troughton (who served as a police officer for 15 years). More information is available on their website:

<https://www.cam-sec.co.uk/>

### What will the cost per home be ?

The cost per household will depend on how many homes contribute.

All homes on our estate will benefit as the aim is to catch criminals and stop them operating in our area. We are asking all 254 homes to complete and return the cut off slip (pages 1 and 2). There are a possible 254 homes in the Association to contribute to the cost currently forecast as £8,364.00. The cost per household will be worked out once we get the cut off slips returned. We will round down the contribution with the association meeting a small proportion of the cost from its current fund. As an example if 100 people agree to pay we will look for £80.00 per household if 150 agree to pay we will be looking for £50.00 per household.

The cost per installation is around £2k to £3k per location such that cameras covering fewer homes would be less cost effective. For this reason our initial plan is not to place cameras in Field End Road, Park Farm close, Bridle Road and Robarts Close. However, we repeat that we do hope all residents, including those in Field End Road, Park Farm close, Bridle Road and Robarts close, will benefit from the cameras as the aim is to help the police start to catch criminals operating in our area.

### Resident's input

The Committee ask you to give this proposal serious consideration and return the cut off slip to the Web manager by 26.6.21 as we do want to ensure we act in accordance with the feelings of the majority of residents.



Address of your home.....

Please complete both sides of this cut off slip and return to the web manager at by Saturday 26th June 2021.

**Please take the time to respond so we can take on board the view of as many homes as possible.**

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### Ongoing Maintenance and other costs

Information on maintenance plans is available on the Camsec website. We have yet to agree an arrangement on this. However the cameras do come with a 2 year warranty. Whilst we cannot give an absolute guarantee we would hope to cover any ongoing running and maintenance cost from current estate reserves and ongoing subscriptions.

### Monitoring

We are proposing to buy the product for its reactive role. After a crime, recordings will be accessed and made available to police to assist them in identifying criminals and obtaining convictions. There is a monitoring service available from Camsec but we are not currently planning on taking this option. The system does provide a monitoring facility to an operator. The intention is for our Safer Neighbourhood Team representative to be the nominated person but that person is not intending to monitor the recordings other than occasional checks to ensure all is working.

### Convictions

Camsec's website reports 1,200 years of jail time for criminals caught using their system. our Safer Neighbourhood Team representative has established that a community in Ickenham has had experience of the cameras bringing convictions.

### Is it Legal ?

There are some data protection rules that need to be followed but we are assured that, providing rules are followed the cameras will be legal. Camsec assist their clients by providing a full data privacy impact assessment listing the home owners, who host the cameras, as the data controllers.

### Which homes will host the cameras ?

Our Safer Neighbourhood Team representative has agreed with some home owners that they will host the Cameras and will be contacting some others in the near future.

The advertisement features the Camsec Security Ltd logo in the top left corner, which includes a 'Which? Trusted trader' badge. Navigation links for 'HOME', 'SERVICES', 'ABOUT', and 'CONTACT US' are positioned in the top right. The main headline reads 'Security Matters' followed by 'ANPR Specialists' in large, bold letters. Below the text, several Hikvision camera models are displayed, including a white bullet camera, a white dome camera, and a black PTZ camera. A red laser beam from the PTZ camera points towards a green car on a road. The car's license plate is 'HADDOC4'. The background shows a perspective view of a road with yellow and white lane markings.

## CCTV and ANPR cameras

### Where will the cameras be ?

CAMSEC Security have worked with our Safer Neighbour Team representative and have walked our area and have jointly identified the key entry points to the estate that would need to be covered to give residents an enhanced degree of protection.

The proposal is to have ANPR and CCTV around the entrance island at the junction of St Lawrence Drive and Bridle Road; at the junction of Pamela Gardens and Field End Road and at the junction of Burwood Avenue and Cheney Street. In addition a CCTV Camera around the entrance to Eastcote House Gardens in St Lawrence Drive.

All cameras will require a house to host them. These will capture vehicles and people entering a defined area.

### Next steps

At our request Camsec have agreed they would do a presentation to residents to provide more information and answer questions. We are finding out if we can book a local meeting space such as in St Lawrence Church hall. Should Government restrictions allow, this is likely to be in July or August this year. We do understand that some residents may be reluctant to meet in communal spaces during this summer which is why our cut off slip enquires about your interest.

We will announce the results of consultation in our next newsletter. If we are going forward this will request your contribution to the cost.

## The EPEA Committee members are:

**Gerry Edwards** (Chairman)

**Richard Maude** (Secretary)

**Martin Hand** (Treasurer and member of 65+ sub committee)

**Marg Bacon** (Member of 65+ sub committee)

**Ash Dhir**

**Chris Head** (also a neighbourhood watch coordinator)

**Mark Lemon**

**Margaret Ross** (Member of 65+ sub committee)

**Peter Ryder**

**Sam Wren** (Webmaster)

[To contact the committee on general EPEA matters we suggest you email:](#)



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