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Purpose	Progress Report

1. Introduction

1.1 On the 13th of December, 2018 the Scrutiny Committee requested a progress report on the following:

- Use of cameras by maritime staff
- The impact of changes to recycling arrangements
- Collaborate with other neighbouring counties to improve provision
- Reconsider current staffing levels in the street enforcement unit
- Expand the interdepartmental collaboration where other Council staff receive the delegated power to enforce on the street

2. Background and Current Situation

2.1 Below is an update on the above points under consideration:

Recommendation	What has happened and when	Impact of implementation
1. Use of cameras by maritime staff	These cameras are already operational and the Corporate Policy is in place. Have provided cameras and guidance for Maritime staff (6 in number).	The cameras are now under direct control of the Maritime and Country Parks Service and usage is expected to increase during the 2020 season.
2. Impact of changes recycling arrangements	The recycling collection system has been established for many years. However, the Department is in the process of changing the collection procedure from a shift pattern to a normal working week routine. New vehicles have also been commissioned to improve these arrangements.	The new arrangements have been very positive in enabling single work crews on the same round which gives greater ownership. There have also been reductions in complaints about material spillage from vehicles when travelling.

3. Collaboration with Others nearby counties to improve the provision	The recent discussions with North Wales authorities did not lead to a regional solution. The other Councils have developed various plans. This highlights the need to revisit the provision in Gwynedd, to review the current service, its priorities and strategic direction.	The Service will be redefined in the context of Ffordd Gwynedd.
4. Reconsider current staffing levels in the street enforcement unit	Consider staffing levels as part of a wider review (see 3).	The Service will be redefined in the context of Ffordd Gwynedd.
5. Expand collaboration Interdepartmental where staff other Council accepts the delegated power to enforce on the street	This recommendation was discussed with the Environment Department with the intention of working more closely with Parking Enforcement staff. Due to significant differences in legislation and methodologies the implementation of this option is not feasible at present.	No impact at present.

3. Next Steps

- 3.1 The Department will revisit the provision in Gwynedd and meetings have been arranged to agree the scope and timetable for the review.