

Councillor Peter Kotz
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BY EMAIL

25 November 2025

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Dear Councillor Kotz

Consultation Related to Proposed Officer Decision: Additional funding for weekend working on electricity connections and transfer of hardware to Colchester Amphora Trading Limited and to Essex Police.

I write to consult you in respect of an officer decision to:

1. Make additional payment to UK Power Networks to facilitate their weekend working at locations in Old Road and Wellesley Road where consent to open the highway in normal hours has been refused by ECC.
2. To transfer a personal computer acquired under the safer streets project to Essex Police to allow CCTV monitoring of the CCTV network in Clacton Town Centre, at Clacton Police Station.
3. To transfer a Network Video Recorder acquired under the safer streets project to Colchester Amphora Trading Limited to allow CCTV monitoring of the CCTV network in Clacton Town Centre, at their control room in Colchester.

The transfer of monitoring of the system to Colchester requires the use of the high specification recording device acquired for the enhancement project and now redundant in the former Clacton control room to be located in the Colchester Amphora Trading Limited control room in Colchester in order to communicate direct into the new monitoring arrangement. The specification of the recorder is matched to the specification of some of the cameras put up under the scheme.

The new cable link to the police station has been installed but it has been identified there that the PC in use is outdated and should be replaced. A suitable PC was acquired under the Safer Streets project but is redundant because of the move of monitoring activity to Colchester I propose to transfer the redundant PC to the police station to facilitate monitoring there.

TDC has ordered new power connections to new pole locations from UK Power Networks. Work has been completed on some sites but Essex Highways has refused to permit the opening of the roads in Old Road and in, Wellesley Road during normal hours. UKPN are able to carry out the work at these locations at weekends but at the additional cost of £2,902.00 +VAT each. There is no alternative way of proceeding in a reasonable timescale so I propose to make these additional payments from balance remaining in the Safer Streets Fund grant.

The Safer Steets scheme as agreed includes for the physical and technical works in the scheme. The balance currently stands at around £65,000.

Accordingly, I propose to:

1. Make additional payments totalling £5,804.00 to UK Power Networks to facilitate their weekend working at locations in Old Road and Wellesley Road.
2. To transfer a personal computer acquired under the safer streets project to Essex Police to allow CCTV monitoring of the CCTV network in Clacton Town Centre, at Clacton Police Station.
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These measures represent a further draw of £5,804.00 on the balance of Safer Streets Fund which would then stand at around £59,000.

These proposals work towards the sharing of services with Colchester Council, facilitating that process in advance of the main local government reorganisation. All of the models put forward for reorganisation envisage Tendring and Colchester combining (with others) They will represent an early joining of resources and a seamless transition when the future reorganisation happens.

If you concur, can I ask that you sign and return the attached pro-forma to me. If you have any questions or other comments please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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As signed November 2025

TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL

Consultation Related to Proposed Officer Decision: Additional funding for weekend working on electricity connections and transfer of hardware to Colchester Amphora Trading Limited and to Essex Police.

I refer to your letter dated 25 November 2025 concerning the action you propose to take under the powers delegated to you in respect of your proposed decision to:

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I CONCUR/DO NOT Concur with the actions you propose.

Additional comments (if any)

Signed ...*Authorised by the Portfolio Holder*.... Date...*25 Nov 25*....