

Police
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Appendix 4 – Local Authority preventative
CCTV Examples



Type of Incident	Detail of incident
Prevention of possible rape	As a result of a CCTV viewing from the week previously by the police control centre operators were asked to look out for a male wanted for rape. Through persistent observations the suspect was seen in the same area clearly watching and approaching young women. The police were called and guided into the location of the male who was subsequently arrested.
High Risk Missing Person	High Risk Missing person had walked out of a secure hospital and was located by CCTV at 0300 hours in the sea and two police officers were able to enter the Sea and swim out to reach the missing person as they were submerged up to the neck and intent on entering the water.
Preventative measures	A CCTV operator is monitoring an area that is notorious for attacks on females and they spot 2 males following a female. She goes into a shop and they wait outside. When she comes out she walks in the opposite direction and the 2 males follow her. Concerned for her welfare the CCTV operator called the Police who arrived and escorted the female away.
Possible life saving	Op spots female climbing scaffold 5am in the morning, police attend and advise, op continues to monitor as female and police walk away . Female then climbs onto wall over dual carriageway and perches on top. Police recalled by Op, female eventually dragged to safety
Possible life saving	Report of an injured male on ground by kebab shop. Police attend and report witnesses say he has hurt himself falling over D&D. CCTV carries out review - result shows male has been falling over for last hour as witnesses describe but continued review from cctv shows male was assaulted 1.2 hrs previously, full right hander to IP's head when male then falls and also hits pavement hard. On basis of this evidence decision is taken to take male to hospital, male had confirmed serious head injuries. Offender arrested approx 1hr later when officers attend a domestic as CCTV recognises that male match's offender from assault.
Concern for safety	Op monitors young males bare chested in freezing conditions and informs police - turns out males were at risk of pneumonia due to intake of alcohol etc. Action possibly preventing a death, recognition from emergency services for good work to operator.
Attempted suicide	Police report vulnerable male on prom. Monitor male until officers arrive - welfare check, advice given and officers leave the scene. Operator requested to bear in mind and further monitors as male walks into sea. Officers recalled quickly due to live patch.

Attempted suicide	During initial camera patrol Operator noticed a female sitting in a precarious position on the edge of the River Dee estuary at Flint and had concern for her welfare, notified officers to attend. The RNLI was called and managed to get this female from the water and off to Hospital. It was confirmed by Officers that she had been sending messages to her family that she intended to take her own life.
Drink driving	I was on a midweek night shift when I spotted a female in the town centre who appeared to be well in drink. A couple of minutes after observing her I noticed her pull out a set of keys and walk towards a moped. I informed the police control room on the police radio as I saw her put on her motorcycle gear and ride off. I then tracked her from camera to camera whilst updating officers. Eventually she went off camera but officers were able to locate her. The female was breathalysed and was subsequently arrested for being over the subscribed limit.
Overdose	I spotted a male sitting with a group on a bench and noticed that the male seemed slumped over and was not responsive or getting involved with the rest of the group. I contacted the Town Pastors via the radio link and asked them to check on this male as I believed he could need assistance. The Town Pastors attended and reported that they could not wake the male and so I advised them to call for an ambulance. An ambulance attended and requested police assistance as the male had overdosed and it could prove to be fatal. The police unit attended and the male was taken to hospital for urgent medical care.
Concern for safety	At 0108 hours door staff asked me to keep an eye on a lone female. They said she was in drink, upset and walking. I located her on camera and her body language suggested she was well in drink. There appeared to be the briefest of conversations between the female and someone in a car in a lay-by before she carried on walking. She had got no more than twenty or so yards away when the car pulled up to her and at this point she got into the vehicle. This looked all wrong to me so I gave the police brief circumstances and passed the vehicle registration number to them as a matter of urgency. The car was found by police and following some quick enquiries by the police the male and female were located in a flat. The police stated they were satisfied that on this occasion nothing had taken place. The male car driver and female were not known to each other. The police took the female home. The police had intelligence reports on the male that he is possibly involved in human trafficking. The police officer said on the radio "who knows what this

	young lady has been saved from”
Prevention of serious crime	<p>CCTV operators saw a car approach a young lone female in the town centre. The car followed the female until she eventually climbed in. The operators were not happy with this and tracked the vehicle whilst calling for police support to stop it and check out the occupants. The police did stop the car and established that all 3 males were known and that the female had been coerced into getting into the car. The males had previously been arrested for kidnap, rape, drug and violence offences. All 3 were arrested. Had it not been for the suspicions of the operators this female would no doubt have been subjected to more serious offences and her safety placed at risk.</p>
Prevention of potential murder	<p>A male was housed in a bail hostel. He had previously raped prostitutes and beaten them with a hammer, one of whom he nearly killed.</p> <p>The police brought his picture into CCTV as he was considered to be so dangerous.</p> <p>One of the CCTV operators spotted him talking to a well, known local prostitute. He was seen on CCTV meet up with this prostitute on several occasions and was seen to exchange phone numbers. In the light of the vigilance of the CCTV operators and the CCTV footage he was recalled to prison. In this instance I think it is fair to say that this prostitute would have been his next victim.</p>