Feedback on the National Surveillance Camera Strategy from the Advisory Council

Does the vision and mission set the right objectives?

- Does the sentence need the bit "Rather than look at them"?
- Is this more technical than public? The camera is there to protect and not to spy. Should look to reduce anxiety of the public and ensure that the cameras are there to protect.
- It was thought that it is important to understand the public perception. There needs to be a balance of security
- It contradicts itself when it says protect you rather than to look at you when to protect you they need to look at you.
- Is it compliant?
- would the Vision be better placed at the beginning of the document
- We have gone from using Surveillance Camera Code to using PoFA code. Which one are we referring to and why the change?
- Need to be clear who owns it and the lines of authority
- The public may not understand the difference although those in the industry and HO may understand

SCOPE

- It is more focused on CCTV than ANPR. It needs to be clearer. There may be benefits to adding ANPR but if it does not then that needs to be clear. The public may have an interest if it covers areas such as parking enforcement.
- Has future technology such as Smart cities been taken into consideration?
- It may be worth adding some examples of other types of surveillance i.e putting in brackets (ANPR, BWV etc..) that way it is referenced but you have not tied yourself into anything.
- Single Handed designers/Installers this should be removed as it is not clear and you could be alienating someone that falls into that category but operates on a large scale. Suggest deleting the word Single Handed.
- Show the differences of approach between relevant authorities and Voluntary adopters

- National Strategy is this correct to call it Nationals as it only applies to England and Wales?
- Speak to Scottish Advisory Council reps to see what their view is on the use of the word National
- Status needs to be defined just in case the Strategy is legally challenged

OBJECTIVES

- Points 1 & 8 on good and bad practices need to be revised
- Question 8 should define what is good and best practices
- Question 9 looking at the processes around this and would like all to send comments on this.
- Questions 4 & 5 where does Gov depts, schools, NHS health fit in. How will the Strategy encourage that growing sector?

GOVERNANCE

- Add annual report link so that the public can view it.
- Has the General Data Protection Act been given any consideration? (The ICO has informed us that there isn't any clear info at the moment but the ICO should know in the next few weeks. Will be incorporated into regulation strand AR will keep us posted).

Will the Strategy Uplift Compliance with the PoFA Code?

It will need:

- PR and Marketing
- Mandated transparency
- Comms plan
- Use of social media
- Use local authority contacts
- Use advisory Council

Should there be a communications strand or should communications be an implementation within the strategy?

Are we good for October 2016

- Need to do something to get engagement. Could start marketing with the draft
- A number of events are in the pipeline to get feedback.
- Online survey
- Question time (organised by William Webster)

