KING ISLAND COUNCIL

# Community CCTV Briefing Sheet

## Regional Towns Community Safety CCTV Project

The Regional Towns Community Safety CCTV Project was initiated by the Tasmanian Government in 2021 to improve community safety within Tasmanian regional towns. This state government-funded initiative has already seen installation commencing or being completed in many councils throughout Tasmania.

The introduction of CCTV in public spaces on King Island is a proactive measure designed to enhance community safety and security. This initiative is part of a broader effort to create a safer environment for all residents and visitors, reduce crime, and provide valuable support to law enforcement and emergency services.

King Island Council has been working closely with the Local Government Association Tasmania (LGAT) grant coordinator and Tasmanian Police to identify opportunities to enhance public safety and develop strategies to address any possible risks.

By strategically placing cameras in areas identified as vulnerable to vandalism and antisocial behaviour, police can better monitor and respond to incidents. The cameras will also help ensure the safety and compliance of critical infrastructure, thereby supporting both public and aviation security.

## Identified CCTV Locations

Key CCTV locations within the municipality have been assessed by Council staff and Tasmanian Police based on specific requirements. The identified locations are listed below and include the field of view plan as attachments.

- **King Island Airport**
  - **Reason for Selection**: To monitor airport safety and compliance, aircraft apron and aviation fuel storage, emergency management, and short-term car parking.
- **Currie Skate Park, CBD, & Currie Oval**
  - **Reason for Selection**: In consultation with Tasmania Police, to enhance safety for members of the public and discourage antisocial behaviour.

## Public Safety Camera Initiative Guidelines

- **Public Space Only**: Cameras will only record activities in public spaces, ensuring no recording of private properties.
- **Privacy Protection**: All private spaces within the camera's field of view will be "masked out," meaning these areas will neither be recorded nor viewed. The cameras **will not** include the use of any facial recognition software.

- **Restricted Access to Recorded Images**: Only approved personnel from Tasmanian Police or Council will have access to the footage. Access is governed by a statewide agreement to protect privacy and security.
- **Incident and Asset Management Focus**: The camera system is not monitored continuously. It is used for specific incidents or for managing council assets, ensuring effective and responsible use.
- **Image Storage Duration**: Recorded images will be securely stored for a minimum of 31 days, balancing the need for incident investigation with data retention limits.
- **Compliance with Privacy Regulations**: The statewide system complies with all relevant privacy regulations, adhering to high standards of privacy and data protection.
- **Transparency and Accountability**: We are committed to maintaining open communication with the community, providing clear information about the purpose, benefits, and safeguards of the CCTV system. Public notifications and signage will be installed to inform residents and visitors of the presence of the cameras.

**Privacy Impact Assessments**

The project has undertaken privacy impact assessments across all proposed camera sites to ensure that the impact on privacy is considered. This includes compliance with privacy legislation.

**Data Security and Access**

All data will be securely stored, with access limited to Tasmanian Police and senior council officials through controlled protocols.

**Conclusion**

The introduction of CCTV in public spaces on King Island aims to enhance community safety and security. By addressing concerns about privacy, cost, and potential misuse, we aim to implement a system that benefits everyone. Your feedback and support are crucial to the success of this initiative.

We encourage residents to share their feedback and express any concerns they may have via any of Council's communication channels including:
**Phone**: 6462 9000
**Post**: PO Box 147, Currie TAS 7256
**Email**: kicouncil@kingisland.tas.gov.au
**Through our Website**: "Lodge a Service Request"
Or **pop in and see us** during business hours at 10 George St, Currie

Feedback must be received by 4.30pm Monday, 22 July 2024

**Attachment A – CCTV Field of View for Skate Park**

# CURRIE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SAFETY CAMERAS

## PROJECTED CAMERA COVERAGE CURRIE SKATE PARK

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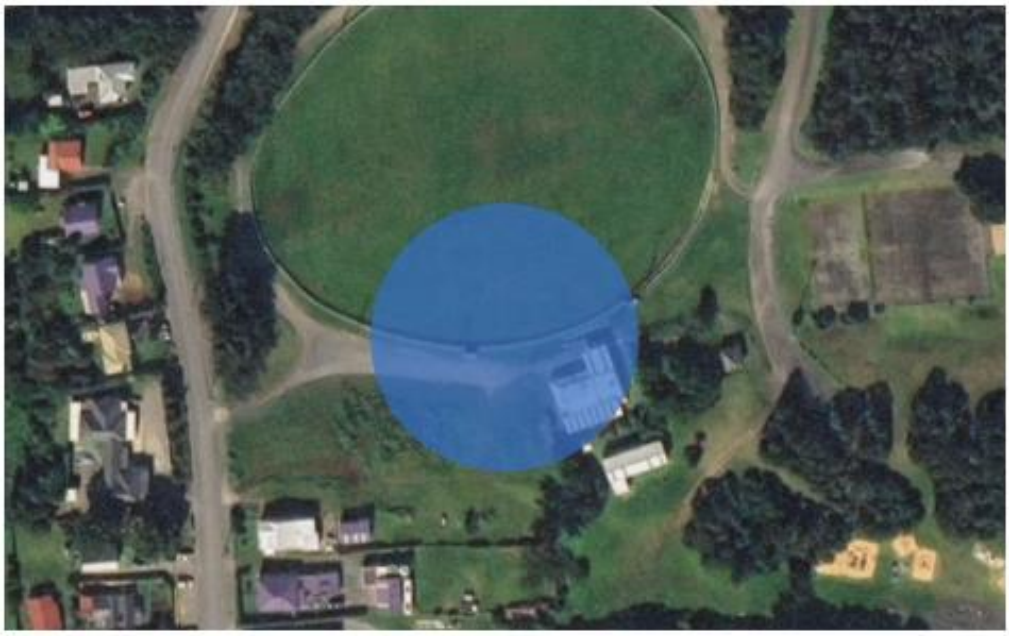
**Attachment B - CCTV Field of View for Currie Sports Oval**



# CURRIE OVAL

## PUBLIC SAFETY CAMERA

PROJECTED CAMERA COVERAGE
CURRIE SPORTS OVAL

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**Attachment C - CCTV Field of View for King Island Airport**

# KING ISLAND AIRPORT

## PUBLIC SAFETY CAMERAS

PROJECTED CAMERA COVERAGE

KING ISLAND AIRPORT EXTERNAL CAMERAS

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