

**Australian Government****Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts**

Ref: CDG 1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV

s22(1)(a)(ii) @essc.nsw.gov.au

Dear s22(1) ,

I am writing to you regarding the Community Development Grants (CDG) program commitments made by the former Australian Government. Your organisation has been identified as having a commitment made under this program which is not yet contracted.

The Australian Government has decided to close the CDG program in line with the broader redesign of regional grant programs announced today. The Government has retained sufficient funds to honour any uncontracted CDG commitments provided that projects are contracted within six months and can be fully delivered by 30 June 2026.

I am pleased to advise that the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (the Department) has been tasked with assessing your project and finalising an executed funding agreement within the next six months.

Please note, if you are unable to execute a funding agreement by 28 April 2023, or if your project cannot be completed by 30 June 2026, this commitment will be withdrawn. If relevant, you will be notified of this withdrawal in writing.

We look forward to working with you to deliver your project for the benefit of your local community. To enable us to progress the assessment of your project, we will be contacting you by telephone and/or email to discuss the next steps in your assessment process, in the coming weeks.

In the meantime, I strongly recommend your organisation does not enter into financial commitments or begin construction work on your project until you execute a funding agreement with the Department, as any expenditure incurred prior to executing an agreement may not be eligible for reimbursement.

Should you need to update any contact details please contact the Department via email CDG@infrastructure.gov.au.

Yours sincerely
s22(1)(a)(ii)

Meghan Hibbert
Assistant Secretary, Regional Programs
24 October 2022



Australian Government

Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development and Communications

Ref:

s22(1)(a)(ii)

Director of Infrastructure Services
Eurobodalla Shire Council
PO Box 99
MORUYA NSW 2537

Dear s22(1)(a)
(ii)

Thank you for your email of 16 March 2022 regarding Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project under the Community Development Grants Programme.

The Department acknowledges your request to not proceed with this project, as the relocation of the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV from the foreshore to the Bay Pavilions, did not meet with the intent of the funding parameters. The Department will close off records associated with this project.

Please be advised that no further action from Eurobodalla Shire Council is required at this time.

Thank you for your time in relation this project.

Yours sincerely

Meghan Hibbert
Assistant Secretary
Regional Programs Branch
Regional Development, Local Government and Regional Recovery
Date:



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File Reference: CDG1418
PDMS Reference: EC23-002668

To: Meghan Hibbert
Position: Program Owner, Community Development Grants (CDG) program
Subject: Withdrawal Request – CDG1418 – EUROBODALLA SHIRE COUNCIL –
BATEMANS BAY CBD CCTV

Recommendation/s:

- 1. That you agree to the withdrawal of the offer of Australian Government funding to the Eurobodalla Shire Council – Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project.

Agreed / ~~Not Agreed~~

- 2. That you sign the attached letter to the Eurobodalla Shire Council.

Signed / ~~Not Signed~~

s22(1)(a)(ii)



Meghan Hibbert
Assistant Secretary
Regional Programs Branch

30/1/23
Date:

In approving the Letter of Withdrawal, I am exercising my responsibilities as Financial Delegate under Sections 32B and 32C of the *Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Act 2017*, and the Accountable Authority Delegations 2020 (No.2).

This Record and the attached documents are consistent with the requirements of Section 18 of the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Rules 2014 and contain the terms of my decision. I am satisfied, after making reasonable inquiries, that giving effect to the proposal would be proper* use of Commonwealth resources and that the information in this record, including any attached documents, is accurate.

*Proper is defined in Section 8 of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* to mean efficient, effective, economical and ethical use with relevant money.

Purpose:

To seek your agreement, as Program Owner and delegate, to issue a Letter of Withdrawal of the offer of a grant of relevant money of \$145,000 (GST exclusive) to the Eurobodalla Shire Council for the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project.

Key Points:

1. As per MS22-001643, you have delegation for all matters, including the approval of grants, terms and conditions of the grant, terminations, and all variations for the grants under the CDG Program. An email from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet on 13 January 2023 confirmed there is no formal requirement for the Minister to advise the Prime Minister of CDG project withdrawals.
2. Official correspondence on 14 August 2019 from the then Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon Michael McCormack MP and Member for Riverina, to the grantee, Eurobodalla Shire Council, confirms the \$145,000 commitment towards 2019 election commitment for the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project.
3. On 13 December 2020, the Department received submission of a Request for Information from the Eurobodalla Shire Council for the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project.
4. On 16 March 2022 an email ([Attachment C](#)) was received from the Eurobodalla Shire Council confirming that it is unable to deliver the funding commitment and this was confirmed in a phone conversation of 31 October 2022 ([Attachment B](#)).
5. If you approve the withdrawal of grant funding to the Eurobodalla Shire Council, a Letter of Withdrawal is at [Attachment A](#) for your signature.

Financial Impacts:

The funding will be returned to consolidated revenue.

Stakeholder Implications:

- The grantee advised the Department it can no longer deliver the project in accordance with original commitment. Therefore, there are no stakeholder implications.
- Following your approval, as per MS22-001643 program updates will be provided to the office of The Hon Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government to ensure overall visibility to the project.

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Acting Director – Project Assessment
Regional Programs Branch
Date

Attachments:

- A. Letter of Withdrawal
- B. Confirmation of withdrawal

C. Council advice unable to proceed



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File reference: CDG1418

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General Manager
Eurobodalla Shire Council
PO Box 99
MORUYA NSW 2537

Dear s22(1)(a)(ii)

**Withdrawal of Offer of Funding – Community Development Grants Programme
CDG1418 – Batemans Bay CBD CCTV**

I refer to the department's engagement with s22(1)(a)(ii) by email of 16 March 2022 and phone call of the 31 October 2022 in relation to this Community Development Grants (CDG) program project.

During this correspondence the department was advised that the Eurobodalla Shire Council is unable to deliver the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project as intended per the original commitment of providing additional security along the foreshore for local businesses.

I am therefore writing to inform you that the funding offer of \$145,000 from the CDG program has been withdrawn as per recent discussions between your organisation and the department.

Should your organisation require funding assistance in the future, you may wish to monitor the Department's website www.infrastructure.gov.au for any announcements regarding future grant programs as well as the GrantConnect website at www.grants.gov.au for details of all Australian Government grant opportunities.

Yours sincerely

s22(1)(a)(ii)

**Meghan Hibbert
Assistant Secretary
Regional Programs Branch**

30 January 2023

From: s22(1)(a)(ii)
Sent: 31/10/2022 4:59:09 PM
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Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) @infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: CDG1418 Batemans Bay CBD [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good afternoon s22(1)(a)(ii)

Thank you for taking my call today.

I have spoken to my Manager and yes the Department will not agree to the change for the CCTV project.

As we discussed could you please send me an email stating you wish to withdraw from the Project and a small appraise why.

Thank you for all your help throughout this project.

Take care

Kind regards

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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To: s22(1)(a)(ii) @infrastructure.gov.au>
Cc: "s22(1)(a)(ii) @esc.nsw.gov.au"; "CDG" <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: RE: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV - Confirmation of discussion
[SEC=OFFICIAL]

Good morning s22(1)(a)(ii)

Thanks again for the additional time to advocate to the Australian Government on our request to move the project location for CDG1418 from the Batemans Bay Foreshore to the Bay Pavilions external site. Due to the specific requirement of this funding, unfortunately our request has been unsuccessful.

As the Department cannot approve the request for a move in location, Council is unable to proceed with this project.

Can you please confirm our next steps from here.

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)
Grants and Advocacy Coordinator (acting)
Eurobodalla Shire Council

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii) @infrastructure.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 18 February 2022 10:01 AM
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Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) @esc.nsw.gov.au>; CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV - Confirmation of discussion [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Dear s22(1)(a)

I would like to thank you for your time yesterday to discuss the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project under the Community Development Grants Programme.

As per our discussions, the Community Development Grants (CDG) Programme is a non-completive program and consist of Government and Election Commitments. The Australian Government decides

which projects are funded CDG and the Department processes these commitments inline with the intent of the commitment made.

The Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project was an election commitment made in 2019 for the installation of CCTV in Batemans Bay. The project is to have 16 wireless CCTVs along the foreshore on Clyde and Orient Streets up to the intersection of Beach Road, Batemans Bay, as per Warren Mundine's media release of 9 May 2019. Whilst we appreciate the need to have the CCTV at the Bays Pavilion, the Department cannot process any changes to these commitments as the intent and decision to commit the funding for this project was made by the Government and any changes would also be a matter for Government.

I hope this email is of assistance.

If you would like to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 6393 4037.

Regards

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From: s22(1)(a)
To: s22(1)(a)
Cc: s22(1); [CDG](#)
Subject: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - Meeting to discuss
Date: Wednesday, 16 February 2022 1:49:40 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.jpg](#)

Hi s22(1)
() (ii)

Thanks for your email.

Would 3pm tomorrow work for you and s22(1)(a)(ii) ?

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)

Grants and Advocacy Coordinator (acting)
Eurobodalla Shire Council

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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Sent: Tuesday, 15 February 2022 2:15 PM
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Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) <@esc.nsw.gov.au>; CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Update - CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s22(1)
() (ii)

Thank you for getting back to me in relation to the Bateman's Bay CBD CCTV project, under the Community Development Grants Programme.

I would like to arrange a teleconference with you, s22(1)(a)(ii) and myself to discuss this project, as the intent of the project was to have 16 wireless CCTV run along the foreshore along Clyde Street and Orient Street up to the intersection of Beach Road, Bateman's Bay, as per Warren Mundine's media release of 9 May 2019. The intent of this project was to support business owners and the community to feel safe along the foreshore and therefore the Department is recommending that the project proceed as per the intention. Whilst we are aware that the you would like to install the 16 CCTV cameras at the Bay Pavilion, the intent was not for this area.

We would like to arrange a teleconference for Thursday 17 February 2022 at 10am, if possible to discuss a way forward.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could please let me know if this is possible by COB tomorrow.

I can be contacted on **s22(1)(a)(ii)**, if you would like any clarification.

Regards

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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Sent: Tuesday, 8 February 2022 4:57 PM
To: **s22(1)(a)(ii)** [@infrastructure.gov.au](mailto:infra@infrastructure.gov.au)>
Cc: **s22(1)(a)(ii)** [@esc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:infra@esc.nsw.gov.au)>; CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Update - CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi **s22(1)(a)(ii)**

Thanks for getting back to us. Very keen to set up a teleconference.

Unfortunately this week is booked out. Do you have a day that you prefer next week?

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)

Grants and Advocacy Coordinator (acting)
Eurobodalla Shire Council

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 Sent: Tuesday, 8 February 2022 4:44 PM
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 Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted] <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>; CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>
 Subject: RE: Update - CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Hi s22(1)
 () (ii)

Thank you for getting back to me in relation to the Bateman's Bay CBD CCTV project, under the Community Development Grants Programme.

I would like to arrange a teleconference with you, s22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted] and myself to discuss this project, as the intent of the project was to have 16 wireless CCTV run along the foreshore along Clyde Street and Orient Street up to the intersection of Beach Road, Bateman's Bay, as per Warren Mundine's media release of 9 May 2019. The intent of this project was to support business owners and the community to feel safe along the foreshore and therefore the Department is recommending that the project proceed as per the intention. Whilst we are aware that the you would like to install the 16 CCTV cameras at the Bay Pavilion, the intent was not for this area.

We would like to arrange a teleconference for Thursday at 9.30am, if possible to discuss a way forward.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could please let me know if this is possible by COB tomorrow.

I can be contacted on s22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted] if you would like any clarification.

Regards

s22(1)

s22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted]

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Sent: Monday, 7 February 2022 9:02 AM
To: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[REDACTED]@infrastructure.gov.au>
Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[REDACTED]@esc.nsw.gov.au>; CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Update - CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi Ts22(1)
 () (ii)

Thank you for making the time to meet with myself and our Project Manager s22(1)(a)(ii) on Monday 17 January.

I have met with our General Manager and would like to confirm Council's position, that we would like to request approval from the Department to install the 16 CCTV cameras at the Bay Pavilion.

Council is committed to the successful completion of the Bay Pavilions in mid-2022. This \$69 million development, of which \$51 million is grant funded by the Australian and NSW Governments to provide an Arts, Aquatic and Leisure centre in the heart of Batemans Bay will greatly benefit from the addition of external CCTV for night-time safety.

The Bay Pavilions will hold late night theatre performances and feature a 24-hour gym. These elements of the facility raise the level of risk to patrons and staff. The grant funding will allow the installation of comprehensive external CCTV coverage of the site which will be monitored and provided to NSW Police as required.

Can you please advise how we can move forward with this request?

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)
 Grants and Advocacy Coordinator (acting)
 Eurobodalla Shire Council

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[REDACTED]@infrastructure.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 17 January 2022 10:35 AM
To: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[REDACTED]@esc.nsw.gov.au>
Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[REDACTED]@esc.nsw.gov.au>; CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Update - CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s22(1)(a)(ii),

Thank you for your time on the phone this morning in relation to the Bateman's Bay CBD CCTV project.

As discussed the intent of the project was to have 16 wireless CCTV run along the foreshore along Clyde Street and Orient Street up to the intersection of Beach Road, Bateman's Bay, as per Warren Mundine's media release of 9 May 2019. Whilst I am aware that the Request for Information you sent in was to have these CCTV camera's located at the Bay Pavilion, the intent of this project was to support business owners and the community to feel safe along the foreshore and therefore the Department is recommending that the project proceed as per the intention.

As discussed I have attached a copy of the media release from Warren Mundine regarding the intent of this project. I hope this is of assistance and I look forward to discussing this project with you after you have had your discussions with the General Manager of Eurobodalla Shire Council.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me on s22(1)(a)(ii)

Regards

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Sent: Thursday, 13 January 2022 12:31 PM

To: s22(1)(a)(ii) [infrastructure.gov.au](mailto:s22(1)(a)(ii)@infrastructure.gov.au)

Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) [@esc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:s22(1)(a)(ii)@esc.nsw.gov.au); CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Update - CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s22(1)(

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Thanks for your email.

Monday 17 January would be great for us, between 9 and 12 preferably.

Are you happy to send through an invite with a time that suits you?

s22(1)(a)(ii)

Grants and Advocacy Coordinator (acting)
Eurobodalla Shire Council

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Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>; CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: Update - CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s22(1)
() (ii)

I refer the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project under the Community Development Grants Programme.

I would like to arrange a teleconference with you to discuss this project. Would it be possible to either arrange a teleconference this morning or Monday 17 January 2022 to discuss this project.

Regards

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Subject: Update - CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information
 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s22(1)
 () (ii)

I refer to your email of 6 January 2022, whilst I appreciate you have contractors ready to install the CCTV cameras, unfortunately I don't have an exact timeframe on when I can provide you with an update, I am awaiting on a response and will advise you as soon as I am made aware of any decision.

Regards

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Cc: CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>; s22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: RE: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information
 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Good afternoon s22(1)
 () (ii)

Thank you for your email.

I'm wondering if you have a timeframe on when we might hear from the Department on confirmation of our project location? We currently have contractors ready to install the CCTV.

I've attached our Request for Information provided to the Department in December 2019 for CDG1418 for your review.

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)

Grants and Advocacy Coordinator (acting)
Eurobodalla Shire Council

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To: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>; Chris Tague
 s22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>
Cc: CDG <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: FW: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Dear s22(1)(a)(ii)

I refer the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project under the Community Development Grants Programme.

Please be advised that I will be the project officer that will be reviewing this project, if you could please address any information to me @ s22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@infrastructure.gov.au> and cc <CDG@infrastructure.gov.au>

Thank you for providing a response to s22(1)(a)(ii) questions, I am currently assessing the information and will provide you with an update in the new year.

I look forward to working with you in relation to this project.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me on s22(1)(a)(ii)

Regards

s22(1)

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Sent: Friday, 17 December 2021 12:36 PM

To: s22(1)(a)(ii) [@infrastructure.gov.au](mailto:infrastructure.gov.au)

Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) [@esc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:esc.nsw.gov.au)

Subject: RE: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information
 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Good afternoon s22(1)()

Apologies for the delay. NSW Police have provided me with the requested crime statistics.

1. Have CCTV cameras been installed in the location stated in the funding announcement; on the foreshore and along Clyde Street and Orient Street up to the intersection of Beach Road?

To date, CCTV cameras have not been installed on the foreshore and along Clyde Street and Orient Street up to the intersection of Beach Road.

2. If not what is being done to meet the need identified in the announcement; ie reduction in crime?

Council is committed to the delivery of a pedestrian friendly, activated Batemans Bay CBD to support our community and small businesses in the creation of a thriving, connected retail space in Batemans Bay.

Council is currently undertaking a project to refurbish pedestrian lighting on Orient Street, North Street, Clyde Street and along the foreshore area for night safety and space activation. This lighting upgrade is designed to increase night-time safety and create a place that is attractive to families and visitors, particularly in the evenings.

3. Has there been a reduction in crime in the location noted in the announcement?

Council has received correspondence from the Batemans Bay Crime Prevention Team at NSW Police regarding crime statistics for the area noted in the announcement.

NSW Police have advised that since lighting has been installed by Council in this area, there has been a decline in the categories of street and drug offences, a slight increase in property theft and the numbers have remained the same for assaults and injury/fatal crashes.

It should be noted that for Batemans Bay as a whole, street offences and injury/fatal crashes remain the same, assaults and drug offences show minor increases and there is a reduction in

property theft offences.

Kind regards,

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@infrastructure.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 23 November 2021 11:38 AM
To: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: RE: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good morning s22(1)(ii)

I hope you're well

I need further information so that I can progress the change of scope for this project. Would you be able to provide comments on the following questions please;

1. Have CCTV cameras been installed in the location stated in the funding announcement; on the foreshore and along Clyde Street and Orient Street up to the intersection of Beach Road?
2. If not what is being done to meet the need identified in the announcement; ie reduction in crime?
3. Has there been a reduction in crime in the location noted in the announcement?

Thanks again for your assistance

Kind regards

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To: s22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted] <[redacted]@infrastructure.gov.au>
Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted] <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>; s22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted] <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>; s22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted] <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: RE: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information

Good morning s22(1)()

Thank you for your email.

I can confirm that the **CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project** is for the installation of CCTV cameras at the Batemans Bay regional arts, aquatic and leisure centre, known as the Bay Pavilions. Council has secured \$51 million in grants from the NSW and Australian Governments for this project, with construction beginning in September 2020 and the centre due to open towards the middle of 2022.

More information on the project can be found here: [Bay Pavilions | Eurobodalla Shire Council \(nsw.gov.au\)](#)

Please see attached our Request for Information provided to the Department in December 2019, which outlines the project scope and location for CDG1418.

New location:



Rationale for the change:

The Batemans Bay regional arts, aquatic and leisure centre, known as the Bay Pavilions, will open in mid-2022. Once opened, high visitation numbers are expected throughout the day and evenings, including at the 350-seat theatre.

This facility will be the hub and focal point of Batemans Bay and will be operating 24 hours a day. The security upgrade is fully supported by the police local area command. The Bay Pavilions aquatic, arts and leisure centre will deliver a range of modern facilities for Batemans Bay and the wider Eurobodalla community, and requires modern CCTV to ensure 24-hour security of the site.

In summary:

- This project will see the delivery of CCTV technology in the major regional centre of Batemans Bay
- The site will be a major night-time venue (hotspot) area with access to parking, a pedestrian thoroughfare, sporting complex and theatre centre
- Far South Coast Local Area Command have requested Council's support for the installation of CCTV in the Eurobodalla, initially in Batemans Bay
- Economic Benefits
 - crime deterrent
 - increased efficiency for police
 - photographic evidence to assist in detection
 - increased retail security
- Community Benefits
 - community safety
 - reduced fear of crime
 - improved property security
 - creation of a safe and vibrant public space.

Please let me know if you require any additional information.

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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Eurobodalla Shire Council

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@infrastructure.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 15 November 2021 11:29 AM

To: s22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@esc.nsw.gov.au>

Subject: RE: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s22(1)
() (ii)

Thanks for returning s22(1)(a)(ii) phone message this morning, s22(1)() is currently on two weeks leave however I will be able to assist you during her absence.

As discussed, the original funding commitment was for 16 wireless CCTV cameras to be installed in the Batemans Bay CBD, on the foreshore and along Clyde Street and Orient Street up to the intersection of Beach Road Batemans Bay. Please see attached funding commitment letter from the then Deputy Prime Minister and funding announcement by the then Liberal Candidate for Gilmore Warren Mundine.

To progress the assessment for this project, if the intent is to utilise the funding to install CCTV cameras at a different location we will need confirmation in writing from yourself as a change of scope request will need to go the Deputy Prime Ministers Office (DPMO) office for approval.

Please confirm via email back to me the new location; and rationale for the change. Once we have that I will be able to send a change of scope request to the DPMO. Please provide as much information as possible to support the change of scope.

Thanks in advance

s22(1)

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii) @esc.nsw.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 3 November 2021 5:30 PM
To: s22(1)(a)(ii) @infrastructure.gov.au>
Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) @esc.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: RE: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information
[SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s22(1)()

Thank you for your email. s22(1)(a)(ii) is currently on a period of extended leave and I am acting in her role. More than happy to provide you with the following update.

The **CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project** is progressing well, and the grant will assist in the implementation of CCTV in our sporting and cultural hub in Batemans Bay.

1. Yes - the outcomes of the project are in line with the initial RFI. This project will see the delivery of CCTV to the Batemans Bay regional arts, aquatic and leisure centre, known as the Bay Pavilions. This will be the hub and focal point of Batemans Bay and will be operating 24 hours a day, and the security upgrade is fully supported by the police local area command.
2. We do not have a quote of the specific CCTV component of security, as the CCTV is being installed by the security specialist contractor who is also installing further security throughout the site. If required, we can see a breakdown of costs of only the CCTV component, which I expect will far exceed the grant allocation as we have gone above and beyond to provide visual security systems throughout.
3. The funding partner contribution is a financial contribution to the project.
4. The project management expenditure is made up from two sources: Public Works Australia are managing the contract and implementation on behalf of Council, and ADCO constructions are project managing the design, installation, commissioning and training of systems. The project management costs are directed through those contracts.

I hope this information meets your requirements. Should you have any further queries, or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact myself or our Project Coordinator s22(1)(a)(ii) on s22(1)(a)(ii) [@esc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:s22(1)(a)(ii)@esc.nsw.gov.au).

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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Eurobodalla Shire Council

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: FW: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information
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Good morning s22(1)
() (ii)

Please see below email to s22(1) yesterday. In s22 absence is this something you can assist with?
There's no great urgency, we can wait until s22(1) returns.
() (ii)

Kind regards

s22(1)

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Tuesday, 2 November 2021 3:31 PM

To: s22(1)(a)(ii) @esc.nsw.gov.au' s22(1)(a)(ii) @esc.nsw.gov.au>

Subject: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project - request for further information
[SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good morning s22(1)
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I am a project assessment officer working on CDG1418 Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project. As the RFI and supporting documents are a little dated now, I'm just seeking some updated information from yourself. In order to progress the assessment are you able to response to the below questions please. I was able to obtain updated financials from the Eurobodalla website, however;

1. Please confirm the current status of the project; is the intent of the outcome the same as the initial RFI project details? "this project will see the delivery of CCTV technology in the major regional centre of Batemans Bay. The site will be a major night-time venue (hotspot) area with access to parking, a pedestrian thoroughfare, sporting complex and theatre centre"

2. Are you able to provide a current quote for the CCTV cameras, the quote we have dates back to January 2020. Alternatively if the anticipated costs remain the same, please just confirm in your reply.
3. Please advise whether funding partner contribution of \$17,150 from Eurobodalla Shire Council is cash or in-kind? (my apologies as you may have answered this previously, however I cannot find communication confirming the contribution)
4. Please confirm the Project Management expenditure of \$15,000 is not an existing council staff member cost? As per CGD guidelines *"Australian Government Funding will not be provided for ongoing operation and maintenance costs or for salaries for existing staff members of the funding proponent organisation"* However, it is acceptable to employ a Project Manager for the period of the project.

Thanks in advance

s22(1)

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From: s22(1)(a)
To: s22(1)(a)
Cc: s22(1)
Subject: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV - Update
Date: Friday, 4 March 2022 3:21:31 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hi s22(1),
() (ii)

Thanks for your email.

We are currently drafting letters to the Federal Government regarding our request for a change in location.

I would hope to have a formal response back from the Government by the end of the month.

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)

Grants and Advocacy Coordinator (acting)
Eurobodalla Shire Council

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Subject: FW: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV - Confirmation of discussion [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Dear s22(1),
() (ii)

I refer to my email of 18 February 2022 in relation to the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project under the Community Development Grants Programme.

Could you please provide the Department with an update in relation to this project.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could please provide me with an update by 18 March 2022.

If you would like to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact me on s22(1)(a) (ii)

Regards

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: CDG1418 - Batemans Bay CBD CCTV - Confirmation of discussion [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Dear s22(1)(a)(ii),

I would like to thank you for your time yesterday to discuss the Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project under the Community Development Grants Programme.

As per our discussions, the Community Development Grants (CDG) Programme is a non-completive program and consist of Government and Election Commitments. The Australian Government decides which projects are funded CDG and the Department processes these commitments inline with the intent of the commitment made.

The Batemans Bay CBD CCTV project was an election commitment made in 2019 for the installation of CCTV in Batemans Bay. The project is to have 16 wireless CCTVs along the foreshore on Clyde and Orient Streets up to the intersection of Beach Road, Batemans Bay, as per Warren Mundine's media release of 9 May 2019. Whilst we appreciate the need to have the CCTV at the Bays Pavilion, the Department cannot process any changes to these commitments as the intent and decision to commit the funding for this project was made by the Government and any changes would also be a matter for Government.

I hope this email is of assistance.

If you would like to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact me on s22(1)(a)

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Regards

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