

This is a summary of the decision of the DPC

The Data Protection Office received an official complaint submitted manually by the Complainant. The complaint was lodged against his neighbour (the Respondent) regarding the installation and use of CCTV cameras. The Complainant, who described himself as an elderly person, alleged that he was frustrated and concerned that the Respondent's surveillance cameras might be capturing his private life.

Subsequently, the Data Protection Office wrote to the Police to seek assistance for investigating this complaint and to conduct a site visit at the Respondent's premises to verify the nature of the cameras.

The Police conducted the site visit, viewed the cameras in question, and confirmed that the two cameras installed were simulated surveillance cameras (dummy cameras) and were not capable of capturing or recording any images.

The Data Protection Commissioner has decided as follows:-
In view of the above, the enquiry is closed to the satisfaction of all parties under section 6 of the Data Protection Act 2017 (DPA).