

This is a summary of the decision of the DPC

The Data Protection Office received an official complaint from Complainant against Respondent regarding the use of CCTV cameras. The Complainant reported that his neighbour had installed CCTV cameras, which he suspects may be directed towards his premises, thereby infringing upon his privacy. He further stated that the light emitted from the cameras at night is directed towards the windows of his house, causing disturbance and nuisance during nighttime hours. The Complainant also stated that the cameras might be equipped with features, which, if true, would constitute a further intrusion into his privacy.

Subsequently, the Data Protection Office wrote to the Police to seek assistance for investigating this complaint and to conduct a site visit at Respondent's premises to verify the camera as to whether the CCTV footage shows viewing outside Respondent's premises.

By way of a letter, the Police informed the office that:

- i. The 2 disputed CCTV cameras installed in the respondent's premises were capturing images inside his yard only
- ii. Upon viewing the footage of the CCTV cameras, it was also found that no images were being captured from the complainant's house and premises as there was a masking on the DVR connected with the disputed cameras.

The Police also enclosed the site visit report together with the letter.

The Data Protection Commissioner has decided as follows: -

In view of the above, the enquiry has not disclosed the commission of an offence under the DPA and is closed to the satisfaction of all parties under section 6 under the Data Protection Act (DPA).