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 stated that the respondent had installed bullet type cameras at the back of his premise with focus on his house and secondly with focus on his private road which is his main entrance to his residence. He mentioned that these two cameras enabled the respondent to watch his movements on when he is leaving and entering the house. The complainant also mentioned that there are 6 cameras installed on the boundary of the respondent's wall which can capture images of passersby, vehicles amongst other.

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 the CCTV cameras installed in the premise of the respondent were no longer facing towards the road or the complainant's premises.

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).