

This is a summary of the decision of the DPC

The Data Protection Office received a complaint by email from Complainant against Respondent regarding the use of CCTV cameras. The Complainant stated as quoted that: *"I, (...) would like to lodge a complaint against my neighbour (...) who has installed camera directing towards my house and green house obstructing my rights to privacy and is capturing footage from our property, my mother and sister in law do not feel safe."*

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: *"an enquiry was carried out into the matter and a site visit was conducted by personnel of (...) Police, whereby it has been stated and found that the CCTV camera installed is only capturing inside the premises of Respondent. Respondent outlined that he installed the CCTV camera for personal security purposes, as both he and his wife are elderly and live alone."* 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 is closed to the satisfaction of all parties under section 6 of the Data Protection Act 2017 (DPA).