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 his neighbour had installed cameras which were pointing towards his house and hence were invading his privacy. He added that two cameras were faced towards his stairs, one towards the bedroom of his in-laws and one towards his own bedroom and living room.

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 footage were not capturing any image inside the complainant's premises and that all the CCTV cameras were affixed in such a manner, that all of them were focusing only inside the respondent'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 is closed to the satisfaction of all parties under section 6 under the Data Protection Act (DPA).