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 CCTV Cameras pointed towards my yard."

"The latter is taking videos capture of me in my yard and sharing it via whatsapp .He is always having an eye on me and my family. My wife and children are afraid to go into own yard due to this".

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 respondent was met and found that none of the 2 CCTV Cameras installed in the premises of the respondent are capturing images inside the complainant's premises. The respondent has installed CCTV Cameras s he was a victim of theft in the past during his absence at home." 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).