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Subject: Gelligaer CCTV System - PERM096

Hi

The Surveillance Camera Commissioner has put a responsibility on Local Authorities to justify any deployment of surveillance cameras via a Data Protection Impact Assessment (Previously Privacy Impact Assessment - P.I.A). Such assessments are now required before deploying any new cameras and for assessing the continuing need for existing cameras. PIA's consider whether there is a justified need for the deployment of cameras, for example serious, frequent antisocial behaviour. It also considers the impact on those subjected to the surveillance, whether such actions are proportionate to the problem they aim to address and if other less intrusive measures have been considered e.g., improved lighting, gating, warden patrols, increased police patrols etc.

The system at Gelligaer is due for its annual review and I am contacting all relevant / interested parties for their views on CCTV to enable us to make an assessment on the continued use of CCTV. Attached are some statistical information for your area in previous 12 months 01/04/19 to 31/03/20.

Under General Data Protection Regulations 2016 and Data Protection Act 2016 we need to make you aware with how we will deal with your data. Your comments will be published as the DPIA is published document on the CCBC website under the CCTV section. Email addresses and phone numbers will be removed.

CCTV Control Room – Gelligaer

1588 targeted CCTV patrols carried out by operators

1 incident / situation monitored by CCTV not requiring police attendance

3 police request for assistance for live incidents

3 police requests to view retrospective CCTV footage after incident has already occurred.

8 DVD's provided for evidential purposes.

Police.uk website

For period 01/04/19 to 31/03/20 there were 309 recorded incidents in the Gelligaer area and 25 recorded incidents in or near the area of the cameras.

I would appreciate if you could confirm by return email your views on the requirement for CCTV and giving reasons why you believe it should or should not continue.

Thanks

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