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Subject: PERM146 Gelligaer CCTV System

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 01/04/21 to 31/03/22.

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.

Please can you respond by 31/05/22

CCTV Control Room – Gelligaer

1414 targeted CCTV patrols carried out by operators
1 police request for assistance in live incidents
3 police request for retrospective CCTV footage after the incident has already occurred.
2 DVDs provided to police

Police.uk website

For period 01/04/21 to 31/03/22 there were 251 recorded incidents in the Gelligaer area and 30 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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