

Caerphilly County Borough Council

Data Protection Impact Assessment Form

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| Location: | Abertridwr Town Centre – Cameras 30-33 and Senghenydd Town Centre Cameras 142-143 | Ref: | PERM059 |
| Assessment Carried out By: | Carl Nesling | Title: | Assistant Community Safety Officer |
| Date of Assessment: | 25/10/18 | | |

This checklist should ideally be carried out prior to technical planning and installation of a CCTV system. This system should be reviewed annually using the appropriate review checklist.

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| For what purpose(s) will the CCTV be used | <p>CCTV is used in accordance with Scheme objectives</p> <p>The key objectives of the <u>Scheme</u> are:</p> <p>To preserve life and to minimise the risk and danger to the vulnerable through effective CCTV monitoring.</p> <p>To assist in the detection of crime.</p> <p>To facilitate the identification, apprehension and prosecution of offenders in relation to crime and public order.</p> <p>To assist in the restoration of tranquillity and reduction in anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>To prevent or mitigate interruptions to traffic flow (not to enforce breaches of the traffic law).</p> <p>To assist in the reduction of the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour thereby promoting the reassurance of the communities affected and promoting community regeneration throughout the region.</p> |
| What are the benefits it is intended to address | It is intended to benefit the residents, visitors and businesses of Abertridwr and Senghenydd in dealing with issues identified in the scheme objectives. |
| What are the benefits to be gained from its use | The primary objective of the Scheme is to provide a safe environment for the benefit of those who live, work, trade, visit, serve and enjoy the facilities within the areas covered by Caerphilly County Borough Council |
| Can less privacy intrusive solutions (e.g. improved lighting) achieve the same objective | Lighting is suitable in the area both to benefit the users and assist in improving the quality of CCTV. No other long term solution is available to provide the coverage in both area and length of time, is available. |
| Do you need images of identifiable individuals or could the scheme use other images not capable of identifying individuals | <p>The Scheme Owners will maintain policies and procedures to meet the requirements of</p> <p>BS 7958: 2015</p> <p><u>BS 7499: 2013</u> (Relevant Sections)</p> <p><u>BS 7858:2012</u></p> <p>Information Commissionaires CCTV Code of Practice</p> <p>Regulation of the Investigatory Powers Act (<u>RIPA</u>)</p> <p>Human Rights Act</p> <p>Health & Safety at Work Act (<u>HSW</u>)</p> <p>Equal Opportunities Act</p> |

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| | <p>Home Office Surveillance Camera Code of Practice Surveillance Camera Commissionaires Code of Practice.</p> <p>Images of persons are needed to be able to identify any person who commits any breaches of the scheme objectives and can be used by relevant prosecuting authorities.</p> |
| Will the particular equipment / system being considered deliver the desired benefits now and remain suitable in the future | The system is able to provide high quality images and the desired benefits needed to produce evidence sufficient for use by prosecuting authorities. System is modernised and updated to ensure continued high quality imagery produced. |
| What (if any) future demands may arise for wider use of images and how will you address these? | The main town centre area is covered. Unlikely to have any permanent extensions to current system. |
| What are the views of those individuals (if any) who will be under surveillance | Councillors, Community Council, Police and Community Safety Wardens all in favour of CCTV |
| What could you do to minimise intrusion for those that may be monitored, particularly if specific concerns have been expressed | Management system records all actions of operators allowing for audits of camera patrols plus privacy blocks on cameras to exclude any intrusion on private space. |
| Is appropriate signage informing individuals of the camera in place (if required)? | Signage installed on all roads and public entries into town centre along with signage within the town centre. |
| Proposed time period for installation of the CCTV | System already in place since 2000 Abertridwr and Senghenydd 2005. PIA carried out in accordance with Surveillance Camera Commissionaires Code of Practice. |
| This section to be completed by the Data Controller / Head of Service | |
| Is the proposed system in accordance with the law? (Primarily the Data Protection Act and Human Rights Act) | Yes the proposed system operates in accordance with the law, British Standards and relevant Codes of Practice |
| Is it necessary to address a pressing need, such as public safety or crime prevention? | Yes as supported by the incidents monitored etc. and responses of consultees. The cameras assist in public safety, assurance, crime prevention and antisocial behaviour issues. |
| Is it justified in the circumstances | Yes |
| Is it appropriate to the problem that it is designed to deal with | Yes the proposed system operates in accordance with the law, British Standards and relevant Codes of Practice |
| Approved by Nominated Person (signature) | |
| Date: 22.11.18 | <p>Signed: </p> |

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 Abertridwr is due for a 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 01/04/17 to 31/03/18.

Under General Data Protection Regulations 2016 and Data Protection Act 2018 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 – Abertridwr

1835 targeted CCTV patrols carried out by operators

2 incidents reported to police by CCTV

4 incidents monitored by CCTV not requiring police attendance

14 police requests for assistance for live incidents

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

Police.uk website

For period 01/04/17 to 31/03/18 there were 308 recorded incidents in the Abertridwr ward and 33 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

Carl Nesling

Rheolwr Ystafell Reoli | Control Room Manager

Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili | Caerphilly County Borough Council

Thanks for this correspondence Carl.

Whilst the lighting for the Aber Square area might be deemed adequate, I don't think it's been improved that much lately. As you know, there's no gating. I'm not that sure of the frequency of patrols these days; I'm not aware that they've increased. We used to have 2 PCSO officers not so long ago. We've now got the one.

I'd like to request that the camera surveillance at Abertridwr be retained. It's seen as a useful tool, deterrent wise. I also note the 14 requests from Police for assistance for live incidents, as part of the figures from 01.04.17 to 31.03.18. That does it for me!

Thank you – Diolch yn fawr,

John Roberts...

Cllr John Roberts

Cynghorydd Sir - Cwm Aber | County Councillor - Aber Valley

Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili | Caerphilly County Borough Council

Carl

There is a necessity to have the CCTV in Operation in the areas you have mentioned. It is clear from the analysis that the Cameras are being used for a Policing purpose to prevent and reduce crime. The local community are aware of the location of the cameras and are reassured with their presence which reduces the fear of crime.

Alternative methods are always being used and utilised in these areas, however, it is proportionate in this case as Police officers cannot guarantee they will have a presence in the locality. If there is need to have intrusion of the camera system this will be to identify offenders and victims when there is no Police presence and Identity is sought. Therefore the cameras are too ensure we
Maximum the safety of the residents and community using the location and Minimising the risk of being an victim.

Regards

Gavin

Gavin Clifton

Arolygydd Daearyddol / Geographical Inspector

Uned Gymorth Ardal y Gorllewin /

Heddlu Gwent Police

Carl

I think that the CCTV cameras at Abertridwr should continue to be used. I would be concerned that if the cameras were not there we would see an increase in anti-social behaviour.

John

Cllr John Taylor

Cynghorydd Sir - Cwm Aber | County Councillor - Aber Valley

Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili | Caerphilly County Borough Council

I believe the cctv is a valued asset of the community that should remain, it gives individuals confidence that if an incident should occur the camera can be there as an aid.

Regards

Cllr Lyndon Binding

Cynghorydd Sir - Cwm Aber | County Councillor - Aber Valley

Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili | Caerphilly County Borough Council

Hi,

With regard to the cctv facility in Abertridwr. It is essential that this facility continues to assist with the detection and prevention of ASB and crime in these areas. Your feedback and monitored results confirm this and is invaluable with regard to public reassurance.

Keep up the good work and thanks.

Regards Andrew Taylor

Caerphilly Police Station

Community Support Officer 41 / Swyddog Cymorth Cymunedol 41

Caerphilly Neighbourhood Policing Team / Tîm Plismona Cymdogaeth Bedwas

Hi

Members of Aber Valley Community Council strongly agree that the CCTV should continue. The CCTV is a valued asset of the community that should remain, it gives individuals confidence that if an incident should occur the camera can be there as an aid. It is a useful tool, deterrent wise as it prevents crime and also improves community safety.

Kind regards

Sharon

Sharon Hughes

Clerk

Aber Valley Community Council