

Caerphilly County Borough Council

Data Protection Impact Assessment Form

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Location:	Caerphilly Town Centre. Cameras 1-15, 26-28.	Ref:	PERM175
Assessment Carried out By:	Carl Nesling	Title:	Control Room Manager
Date of Assessment:	15/06/23		

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.

<p>For what purpose(s) will the CCTV be used</p>	<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>
<p>What are the benefits it is intended to address</p>	<p>It is intended to benefit the residents, visitors and businesses of Caerphilly in dealing with issues identified in the scheme objectives.</p>
<p>What are the benefits to be gained from its use</p>	<p>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</p>
<p>Can less privacy intrusive solutions (e.g. improved lighting) achieve the same objective</p>	<p>Sufficient Lighting in the area both to benefit the users and assist in improving the quality of CCTV.</p> <p>No other long term solution is available to provide the coverage in both area and length of time, is available.</p>
<p>Do you need images of identifiable individuals or could the scheme use other images not capable of identifying individuals</p>	<p>The Scheme Owners will maintain policies and procedures to meet the requirements of</p> <p><u>BS 7958: 2015</u></p> <p><u>BS 10800: 2020</u></p> <p><u>BS 7858:2019</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> <p>Home Office Surveillance Camera Code of Practice</p> <p>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 along with the majority of public car parks including Crescent Road car park and Caerphilly Bus station. Main access roads into the town centre are covered. Unlikely to have any permanent extensions to current system.
What are the views of those individuals (if any) who will be under surveillance	Please see Appendix 1.
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 revised in 2016 and 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 1998. PIA carried out in accordance with Surveillance Camera Commissionaires Code of Practice. All cameras reviewed annually under PIA.
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?	Caerphilly Town Centre is one of our main commercial and night time economy areas. The cameras assist in both public safety and crime prevention in particular night time economy related issues and business crime.
Is it justified in the circumstances	Caerphilly is one of our busier areas in terms of incidents recorded, request for assistance from Gwent Police and requests for assistance from local businesses
Is it appropriate to the problem that it is designed to deal with	Yes the camera system allows remote monitoring to support operational decisions on the ground and provide evidence of criminal breaches.
Approved by Nominated Person (signature)	Yes the proposed system operates in accordance with the law, British Standards and relevant Codes of Practice
Date: 9.6.23	<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 Caerphilly 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 01/04/22 to 31/03/23.

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.

Please could you reply by 31/05/23

CCTV Control Room – Caerphilly

1615 targeted CCTV patrols carried out by operators

22 incidents reported to police by CCTV

189 incidents / situations monitored by CCTV not requiring police attendance

157 police request for assistance for live incidents

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

40 DVD's provided for evidential purposes.

55 Direct Uploads of CCTV to Police Database.

Police.uk website

For period 01/04/22 to 31/03/23 there were 715 recorded incidents in the St Martins / Morgan Jones wards and 194 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

Hi Carl

Thank you for your email, I'm in favour in the continuation of CCTV in the Morgan Jones Ward as it's been helpful in solving and deterring crime especially in Morgan Jones Park and Churchill Park. Residents have even requested more CCTV because of its ability to deter anti-social behaviour.

Regards

Cllr Shayne Cook

Aelod Cabinet dros Dai | Cabinet Member for Housing
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili | Caerphilly County Borough Council

Carl,

CCTV in this location has been an invaluable tool in assisting the police to reduce incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour. Without it, it would be difficult for us to bring perpetrators to justice. To add to this, it offers an element of reassurance to local residents, and business owners in the area.

Please can rhys.caddick@gwent.police.uk be removed from the email list as he has since moved on to work in a different role.

Many Thanks

Cofion gorau | Kind regards

Stuart Lewis

PC 2035



Swyddog Lleihau Troseddau ac Anrhefn /

Crime and Disorder Reduction Officer

Tim Plismona Cymdogaeth De Caerffili /

Caerphilly South Neighbourhood Policing Team

Carl

The Town Council supports the retention of the CCTV cameras in St Martins and Morgan Jones Wards and considers this is justified by the number of recorded incidents. The cameras are a deterrent to crime and assist in addressing anti social behaviour.

Regards

Phil Davy

Town Clerk

Hi Carl

I would like to back up what Stuart has said. CCTV generally welcomed by residents in our ward.

Many thanks,

Cllr James Pritchard

Dirprwy Arweinydd ac Aelod Cabinet dros Ffyniant, Adfywio a Newid yn yr Hinsawdd
| Deputy Leader And Cabinet Member For Prosperity, Regeneration And Climate
Change
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili | Caerphilly County Borough Council

Hi Carl,

I agree with what others have said regarding the CCTV cameras. They are invaluable in detecting crime and prosecutions, and are a reassurance for the general public.

I think they should definitely remain.

Anne

Cllr. Anne Broughton-Pettit

Cynghorydd Sir - Morgan Jones | County Councillor - Morgan Jones
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili | Caerphilly County Borough Council

Hi Carl

Re the following...

Caerphilly PERM175

Given the usage / incident data re all sites I would be supportive of the cameras remaining.

Thanks

Darren

Darren Carless MSc
Swyddog Cymorth Ymddygiad Gwrthgymdeithasol | Anti-social Behaviour Coordinator
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