


Caerphilly County Borough Council

Data Protection Impact Assessment Form

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| Location: | Rhymney Cameras 81-87, 136-138 and Abertysswg 159 | Ref: | PERM060 |
| 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 Rhymney and Abertysswg 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 | <p>Street Lighting has been improved 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> |
| 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 | 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 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. 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: 23.11.18 | Signed:  |

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 Rhymney 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 – Rhymney

1723 targeted CCTV patrols carried out by operators

12 incidents reported to police by CCTV

60 incidents monitored by CCTV not requiring police attendance

60 police requests for assistance for live incidents

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

52 DVD's provided for evidential purposes.

Police.uk website

For period 01/04/17 to 31/03/18 there were 858 recorded incidents in the Rhymney wards and 278 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

The CCTV Cameras located at Rhymney not only act as a deterrent against crime and nuisance behaviour, it also provides reassurance for members of the public and aids enforcement agencies such as the Police and Council Authority when dealing with incidents.

Kind regards

D Lawrence

Accredited Community Safety Warden

Caerphilly Council

Hi Carl,

Thank you for the below email. The number of incidents is high in the Rhymney area. Demand for CCTV is high. CCTV acts as a preventative method which cannot be quantifiable. My view is that CCTV remains in place as it is an area of high demand which benefits from CCTV coverage.

Many Thanks

Emma

PS 1947 Emma Sowrey

Caerphilly North

Tim Plismona Cymdogaeth / Neighbourhood Policing Team

Heddlu Gwent Police

Hi Carl

I believe it is vital that we retain all our current CCTV provision. The amount of issues of crime in the area warrants such provision. We have also received a petition for additional provision.

I support keeping existing cameras and where possible, enhancing our provision if our budgets ever allow us to do so.

Thanks

Carl

Cllr Carl Cuss

Aelod Cabinet dros Wasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles | Cabinet Member for Social Care and Wellbeing

Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili | Caerphilly County Borough Council

I endorse everything Carl as stated,

Our CCTV Provision must remain at the lest.

John.

Cllr John Bevan

Cynghorydd Sir - Moria | County Councillor - Moriah

Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili | Caerphilly County Borough Council

Hello Carl,

Further to last Thursday's meeting of Council, I can confirm that based on the stats provided, Council wish to retain the use and presence of the above_mentioned camera. Council considers this / these cameras a vital deterrent against crime and in support of crime prevention, made more important by an ever reducing policing and community safety presence / budget.

Kind regards,

Geraint

Geraint Williams

Clerk to Rhymney Community Council