

FOI 165/2015

REQUEST

Re: FOI request pertaining to the number of CCTV cameras in your district and their monitoring

I work at Shine TV and we are developing a documentary project in its early stages for Channel 4, which looks at security and the amount of CCTV we currently have in the UK. I am writing to enquire about the number of CCTV cameras there is currently in your district. I also wish to find out the names of the streets covered by these cameras, how many hours the cameras are monitored and on which days these cameras are monitored.

To outline my query as clearly as possible, I would like to know:

- 1) The current total number of CCTV cameras in your district**
- 2) The names of the streets covered by these cameras**
- 3) How many days a week/month/year (as appropriate) these cameras are monitored**
- 4) How many hours a day/week/month/year (as appropriate) these cameras are monitored**

I would be extremely grateful if you could provide answers to these questions and also confirm in writing that you have received this request as soon as possible.

My preferred format to receive this information is electronically, but if that is not possible I will gladly accept hard copies.

RESPONSE

Tendring District Council has considered your recent FOI request and would like to respond as follows:

Section 31(1) states that Information which is not exempt information by virtue of section 30 is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice —

- (a) the prevention or detection of crime;
- (b) the apprehension or prosecution of offenders or
- (c) the administration of justice

We are applying this exemption as if the Council releases the details you are requesting this could prejudiced the prevention or detection of crime and the apprehension or prosecution of offenders.

The Authority has applied the public interest test and determined that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

