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CCTV Policy

Local Procedure

Aurora Poppyfield School

Please refer to Group CCTV Policy A114

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Data Protection Impact Assessment

The service recognises that CCTV systems can be privacy intrusive.

For this reason, the service has carried out a data protection impact assessment with a view to evaluating whether the CCTV system in place is a necessary and proportionate means of achieving the legitimate objectives as set out in the Aurora Group CCTV Policy.

The result of the data protection impact assessment has informed the service's use of CCTV and the contents of this procedure.

Details and location of CCTV system

The CCTV system used by the service comprises of:

Camera Type	Location	Sound	Recording Capacity	Swivel/Fixed
External	Front left car park	Yes	Yes	Fixed
External	Front right car park	Yes	Yes	Fixed
External	Rear car park	Yes	Yes	Fixed
External	Side gate front	Yes	Yes	Fixed
External	Side rear	Yes	Yes	Fixed
External	Side road front	Yes	Yes	Fixed
External	Side road rear	Yes	Yes	Fixed

Signs are displayed on the front gate and outside the front entrance so that staff, students, residents, visitors and members of the public are made aware that they are entering an area covered by CCTV.

The signs contain information that:

- Identifies the school as the operator of the CCTV system.
- Identifies the school as the data controller.
- Provides contact details for the school.

CCTV cameras are not installed in any internal areas and/or areas in which individuals would have an expectation of privacy such as toilets, changing facilities, etc.

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Cameras are positioned in order to maximise coverage, but there is no guarantee that all incidents will be captured on camera.

System Management

Access to the CCTV system and data shall be password protected and is accessed through an online portal for authorised senior staff members.

The CCTV system will be administered and managed by the School Business Manager who will act as System Manager and take responsibility for restricting access, in accordance with the principles and objectives expressed in the Aurora Group CCTV Policy. In the absence of the Systems Manager, the system will be managed by the Central IT team.

The CCTV system is designed to be in operation 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, though the service does not guarantee that it will be working during these hours.

CCTV images are not retained for longer than necessary, taking into account the purposes for which they are processed. Data storage is automatically overwritten by the system after a period of 14 days.

Recorded images will only be retained long enough for any incident to come to light (e.g., for a theft to be noticed) and the incident to be investigated. In the absence of a compelling need to retain images for longer (such as an ongoing investigation or legal action), data will be retained for no longer than 6 months.

The System Manager will check and confirm the efficiency of the system regularly and in particular that the equipment is properly recording and that cameras are functional. If the CCTV system is not working properly the System Manager will report the fault to the IT Team.

Cameras have been selected and positioned so as to best achieve the objectives set out in the Group CCTV Policy in particular by providing clear, usable images.

Details of all visits and visitors and requests to view images will be recorded in a CCTV Access logbook including time/date of access and details of images viewed and the purpose for so doing which will be held by the School Business manager in a secure online location.

Complaints About the Use of CCTV

Any complaints in relation to the use of the CCTV system should be addressed to the Head of School and should be made according to the school's complaints policy.

Requests for Access by the Data Subject

The Data Protection Act 2018 provides data subjects – those whose image has been captured by the CCTV system and can be identified – with the right to access data held about themselves, including those obtained by CCTV. Requests for such data should be made to the Head of School.

Public Information

Copies of the Aurora Group CCTV Policy and this local procedure will be available to the public upon request.