

37074 Q2 Response

Period	Instances of use of directed surveillance	Purpose/reason	Technique	Date approved	Date cancelled	Date cancelled / length of surveillance
1 Jan to 31 Dec 2019	One	<p>Surveillance of Private Hire Cars (PHCs) for alleged unlicensed activity during the Christmas / New Year period.</p> <p>Unlicensed activity relating to PHCs includes driving without the appropriate licence, collecting passengers without prior booking, and offences relating to insurance. The Council carried out this surveillance as a spot-check test to ensure the safety of PHC users and compliance with legislation.</p>	Officers interacted with the PHC drivers.	Authorisation 13 Dec 2019	Cancellation 9 Jan 2020	Please note that the actual time period of the surveillance will be less but the Council has no operational need to record this period.
1 Jan to 31 Dec 2020	Two	<p>1. Surveillance of Private Hire Cars (PHCs) alleged unlicensed activity during 6 Nations Rugby tournament.</p> <p>Unlicensed activity relating to PHCs includes driving without the appropriate licence, collecting passengers without prior booking, and offences relating to insurance. The Council carried out this surveillance as a spot-check test to ensure the safety of PHC users and compliance with legislation.</p>		Authorisation 7 Jan 2020.	Cancellation 14 Apr 2020.	Please note that the actual time period of the surveillance will be less but the Council as not operational need to record this period.

		2. Antisocial behaviour affecting a private residence.		Authorisation 30 Oct 2020	Cancellation 16 Nov 2020	
1 Jan to 31 Dec 2021	None	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A