



Local Government for Langton Green, Speldhurst, Ashurst and Old Groombridge

## **CCTV Policy (on Council owned land)**

### **Introduction**

This Policy is to control the management, operation, use and confidentiality of the CCTV systems at the locations listed at the end of this document.

This policy will be subject to review by the Parish Council to ensure that it continues to reflect the public interest and that it and the systems meet all legislative requirements, and that the use of Closed-Circuit TV (CCTV) adheres to the principles of the

- Data Protection Act 1998,
- GDPR 2018
- Human Rights Act 1998,
- Regulation of Investigatory Powers Acts 2000, the CCTV Code of Practice, Charter for a democratic use of video-surveillance and other relevant legislation. That any CCTV system is not used or abused.
- And that CCTV is correctly and efficiently installed and operated.

**The Parish Council accepts the principles of the Data Protection Act 2018 based on the Data Protection Principles as follows:**

- data must be fairly and lawfully processed;
- processed for limited purposes and not in any manner incompatible with those purposes;
- adequate, relevant and not excessive;
- accurate;
- not kept for longer than is necessary;
- processed in accordance with individuals' rights;
- secure;
- not transferred to countries with inadequate protection;
- subject to guidance on good practice;
- Data will not be used for personal gain or interest

## **Statement of Purposes**

To provide a safe and secure environment for the benefit of those who might visit, work or live in the area. The system will not be used to invade the privacy of any individual, except when carried out in accordance with the law.

The scheme will be used for the following purposes:

- to reduce the fear of crime by persons using Council facilities so they can enter and leave without fear of intimidation by individuals or groups;
- to reduce the vandalism of property and to prevent, deter and detect crime and disorder;
- to assist the police, the Parish Council and other Law Enforcement Agencies with identification, detection, apprehension and prosecution of offenders by examining and using retrievable evidence relating to crime, public order or contravention of bye-laws;
- To deter potential offenders by publicly displaying the existence of CCTV, having cameras clearly sited that are not hidden and signs on display.
- To assist all “emergency services” to carry out their lawful duties.

The parish council does not use its CCTV installation for data processing purposes.