

### **How to Apply For Access To Information Held On Council CCTV Systems**

These notes explain how you can find out what information, if any, is held about you on Council CCTV Systems.

#### **Your Rights**

Subject to certain exemptions, you have a right to be told whether any personal data is held about you. You also have a right to a copy of that information in a permanent form except where the supply of such a copy is not possible or would involve disproportionate effort, or if you agree otherwise. West Somerset Council will only give that information if it is satisfied as to your identity. If release of the information will disclose information relating to another individual(s), who can be identified from that information, the Council is not obliged to comply with an access request unless:

- The other individual has consented to the disclosure of information, or
- It is reasonable in all the circumstances to comply with the request without the consent of the other individual(s)

#### **The Council's Rights**

West Somerset Council may deny access to information where the Act allows. The main exemptions in relation to information held on the CCTV System are where the information may be held for:

- Prevention and detection of crime
- Apprehension and prosecution of offenders

and giving you the information may be likely to prejudice any of these purposes.

#### **Fee**

A fee of £10 is payable for each access request, which must be in pounds sterling. Cheques, postal orders, etc. should be made payable to '**West Somerset Council**'.

### **THE APPLICATION FORM: (N.B. ALL sections of the form must be completed. Failure to do so may delay your application.)**

**Section 1** Asks you to give information about yourself that will help the Council to confirm your identity. The Council has a duty to ensure that information it holds is secure and it must be satisfied that you are who you say you are.

**Section 2** Asks you to provide evidence of your identity by producing TWO official documents (which between them clearly show your name, date of birth and current address) together with a recent full-face photograph of you.

**Section 3** Asks you to confirm whether you will accept just viewing the information, or if you want a copy of the information.

**Section 4** You must sign the declaration.

**When you have completed and checked this form, take or send it together with the required TWO identification documents, photograph and fee to:**

**CORPORATE INFORMATION OFFICER, WEST SOMERSET HOUSE, KILLICK WAY,  
WILLITON, TAUNTON, SOMERSET TA4 4QA**

(Customer Services – please complete 'Official Use' Section on page 5)

**If you have any queries regarding this form, or your application, please ring the Corporate Information Officer on 01643 703704**

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**SECTION 1 About Yourself**

The information requested below is to help the Council (a) satisfy itself as to your identity, and (b) find any data held about you.

PLEASE USE BLOCK LETTERS

<b>Title</b> (tick box as appropriate)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Miss	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Other title</b> (e.g. Dr., Rev., etc.)								
<b>Surname/family name</b>								
<b>First names</b>								
<b>Maiden name/former names</b>								
<b>Sex</b> (tick box)	<input type="checkbox"/> Male			<input type="checkbox"/> Female				
<b>Height</b>								
<b>Date of Birth</b>								
<b>Place of Birth</b>	Town							
	County							

<b>Your Current Home Address</b> (to which we will reply)								
	Post Code							
A telephone number will be helpful in case you need to be contacted	Tel. No.							

**If you have lived at the above address for less than 10 years, please give your previous addresses for the period:**

<b>Previous address(es)</b>								
<b>Dates of occupancy</b>	From:				To:			
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**SECTION 2 Proof of Identity**

To help establish your identity your application must be accompanied by **TWO** official documents that between them clearly show your name, date of birth and current address.

For example: a birth/adoption certificate, driving licence, medical card, passport or other official document that shows your name and address.

Also a recent, full face photograph of yourself.

**Failure to provide this proof of identity may delay your application**

**SECTION 3 Supply of Information**

You have a right, subject to certain exceptions, to receive a copy of the information in a permanent form. Do you wish to:

(a) View the information and receive a permanent copy

YES / NO

(b) Only view the information

YES / NO

**SECTION 4 Declaration**

**DECLARATION** (to be signed by the applicant)

The information that I have supplied in this application is correct and I am the person to whom it relates.

Signed by

Date

**Warning – a person who impersonates or attempts to impersonate another may be guilty of an offence**

**NOW – please complete Section 4 and then check the ‘CHECK’ box (on page 5) before returning the form.**

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**SECTION 4 To help us find the Information**

If the information you have requested refers to a specific offence or incident, please complete this Section.

Please complete a separate box in respect of different categories/incidents/involvement. Continue on a separate sheet, in the same way, if necessary.

If the information you require relates to a vehicle, property, or other type of information, please complete the relevant section overleaf.

Were you: (tick box below)

A person reporting an offence or incident

A witness to an offence or incident

A victim of an offence

A person accused or convicted of an offence

Other – please explain


Date(s) and time(s) of incident	
Place incident happened	
Brief details of incident	

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**Before returning this form please check:**

- Have you completed ALL Sections in this form?
- Have you enclosed TWO identification documents?
- Have you signed and dated the form?
- Have you enclosed the £10.00 (ten pounds) fee?

**Further Information:**

These notes are only a guide. The law is set out in the Data Protection Act 1998, obtainable from The Stationery Office. Further information and advice may be obtained from:

**The Office of the Information Commissioner**  
**Wycliffe House**  
**Water Lane**  
**Wilmslow**  
**Cheshire**  
**SK9 5AF**  
**Tel. (01625) 545745**

Please note that this application for access to information must be made direct to **West Somerset Council** (address on Page 1) and **NOT** to the Information Commissioner.

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**Please complete ALL of this Section (refer to 'CHECK' box above)**

Application checked and legible?

Date Application Received

Identification documents checked?

Fee Paid

Details of two Documents (see page 3)

Method of Payment

Receipt No.

Documents Returned?

**Member of Staff completing this Section:**

Name

Location

Signature

Date

**This document can be made available in large print, Braille, tape format  
or in other languages upon request**