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Dear Mr Elliott,

To ask the Minister of Justice to detail the total number of CCTV cameras in operation, broken down by county and major town. 7617/10

The above mentioned question was placed before the Minister of Justice, who has deemed that this is an operational matter for the Police Service of Northern Ireland. Therefore the Chief Constable has been asked to respond directly.

The Police Service of Northern Ireland owns a total of 82 CCTV cameras which are located in public areas and are used for the purpose of enhancing community safety.

They are located as follows, broken down by major town.

- Belfast - 62
- Londonderry - 8
- Portadown - 9
- Larne - 3

The use of CCTV is one of a number of technical interventions which have proven benefits in deterring criminality, and improving safety in public spaces. When crimes do occur, they have greatly assisted us in identifying offenders. The Police Service of Northern Ireland applies, with rigour, all regulations on the use of CCTV cameras and images obtained from them.

If you have any queries regarding this response, please address your correspondence to Command Secretariat, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, Northern Ireland BT5 6LE.

I trust this is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,
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