

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 12th MARCH 2019**

Question

Further to his answer to WQ.100/2019, will the Minister advise under what circumstances would police officers respond to situations witnessed while CCTV is being monitored?

Answer

The police will respond to what is monitored on CCTV depending on what is occurring:-

- Public Disorder – Often linked to the Night Time Economy. Not only after an incident has taken place but often to identify escalating tensions, suspicious behaviour etc.
- To prevent and detect crime – Domestic abuse situations, drug dealing, assaults, fights etc.
- Safeguarding – Highly intoxicated persons who might be incapable of looking after themselves – to check on the welfare of someone who may be considered vulnerable (e.g. child/adult).
- Insecure premises.
- Road Traffic incidents.

It must also be born in mind that CCTV is used to deal with calls from members of the public – very often CCTV is able to give the Police an accurate picture of what is taking place which either supports the attendance of an officer or indeed negates the attendance of an officer.