



# CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION

# Report

# April 2021 – March 2022





### **INTRODUCTION**

#### Description of the scheme

The University of Worcester CCTV system consists of 272 cameras that are installed at strategically positioned locations in the following areas:

- St Johns Campus
- City Campus including Jenny Lind Building and Art House
- Severn Campus including University Arena, Riverside Building and The Art Garage Facility
- Lakeside Campus

The system is monitored by trained and dedicated University Control Room Operators.

## System Operation

Dedicated staff who have obtained the CCTV Public Space licence, in accordance with the Private Security Industry Act 2001, monitor the system. The system is operated and managed in accordance with current legislation and detailed CCTV Codes of Practice and Operational Procedures Manual.

#### Ownership

The scheme is owned by the University of Worcester who are responsible for the management, administration, and security of the system. The owners manage the system and ensure the protection of individuals and the public by complying with the Codes of Practice. <u>CCTV policy.pdf (worc.ac.uk)</u>

#### Purpose of the System

- To help reduce the fear of crime.
- To help deter crime, detect crime and prevent crime.
- To deter and detect anti-social behaviour.
- Providing assistance and reassurance to the public in emergency situations.
- Providing high quality evidence which may assist in the detection of crime and the apprehension and prosecution of offenders.
- Providing assistance with issues relating to public safety and health.
- To assist in the apprehension and identification of offenders.
- To enhance community safety.
- To assist the Local Authority in its enforcement and regulatory functions.
- For the maintenance of Public Order.



## **REPORT CONTENT**

In order to comply with the recommendations contained in the Information Commissioners CCTV Code of Practice published in October 2014 and Surveillance Camera Codes of Practice, the University of Worcester will produce an annual report, which will be publicly available on the University website.

As the University Community Forum meets quarterly, a shortened version of this report has been produced to share with colleagues at the meeting. This will enable feedback prior to the annual report.

For the purpose of best practice, this report will include the following information:

- 1. The number of incidents recorded by the scheme which are not necessarily student perpetrators.
- 2. Types of crime in the area covered by the scheme and:
- 3. An assessment of the scheme's impact on its objectives, including:
  - Types of crime
  - The number of reviews of footage by Law Enforcement, authorised agencies, or University staff
  - Key locations of activity
  - The number of incidents for the previous eight months

The statistics for this reporting period are as follows:



### Key Locations of Activity







#### Types of Crime Recorded by CCTV:





Number of CCTV captured incidents dealt with and by whom:



Images either downloaded to CD or just reviewed:





#### **REPORT OBSERVATIONS**

<u>Anti-Social Behaviour</u>: Activity was high during 20/21 due to the Security Team enforcing Covid regulations. CCTV was used to police certain areas across the University resulting in footage being used to address behaviour where required.

<u>Other</u>: As there were long periods of Covid related lockdown during 20/21 then activity in this category would have been reduced significantly.

<u>Release of Images</u>: During 20/21 and again due to Covid related lockdown periods there were not many requests for footage, however, 21/22 has seen an increased demand for footage released especially relating to car accidents or damage to vehicles to both Police and Insurers.

If a member of the public wishes to make a complaint about the system, they may do so through University of Worcester's complaint procedure. Copies of the complaint's procedure are available by writing to:

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