## Signage

The London Bough of Merton will have a consistent CCTV signage policy. All areas where CCTV is in use should have clear, consistent signs exhibited to comply with the Data Protection Act; this is to advise people that they are about to enter an area covered by CCTV cameras or to remind them that they are still in an area covered by CCTV. The signs will also act as an additional deterrent. CCTV signs should not be displayed in areas, which do not have CCTV cameras. Where 'Covert' cameras have been authorised for deployment, signage will not normally be erected.

The sign should carry the outline of a CCTV camera. The information on the sign should explain why the CCTV cameras are there, including Traffic Enforcement purposes, who runs them (London Borough of Merton) and a contact number (020 8545 3843). The signs, position and the message need to be big enough to enable people to easily read the information on it (A3 size as a minimum).

Consideration will be given by the CCTVSG to promoting the telephone number contained on the sign to encourage the public to bring to the attention of CCTV operators incidents that are currently occurring that will be quicker for the PSS CCTV system operators to respond than awaiting notification from the police via the normal public/police communication channels.

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