

**To: Council**

**Date: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2014**

**Report of: Head of Law & Governance**

**Title of Report: Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000**

### **Summary and Recommendations**

**Purpose of report: To report the Council's application of its powers under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000**

**Key decision? No**

**Executive lead member: Councillor Price**

**Report approved by: Head of Law & Governance**

**Policy Framework: Not applicable**

**Recommendation:**

**Council is asked to note the Council's use of its powers under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014.**

### **Introduction**

1. This report relates to the Council's use of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) for the period April 2013 to March 2014. The three investigatory powers available to the Council are, directed covert surveillance, the interception of communications data and the use of Covert Human Intelligence Sources (CHIS). The Council has only ever authorised directed covert surveillance.

### **The Council's use of Covert Surveillance**

2. There were no authorisations for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014.

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