

To: Council

Date: 13 April 2015

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

Policy Framework: Not applicable

Recommendation: That Council note the Council's use of its powers under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) for the period 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015.

Introduction

1. This report relates to the Council's use of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) for the period April 2014 to March 2015. 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 April 2014 to 31 March 2015.

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