

To: Council

Date: Monday 18 April 2016

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 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016.

Introduction

1. This report relates to the Council's use of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) for the period April 2015 to March 2016. 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 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016.

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