



RHONDDA CYNON TAF

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 30th October, 2014

Agenda Item 6

SUBJECT:

Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act, 2000 (RIPA) Use of RIPA in 2013/14 by Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council

Cabinet Members Present County Borough Councillors:

A.Morgan (Chairman), P.Cannon, R.Bevan, A.Crimmings,
E.Hanagan, G.Hopkins, K.Montague and M.Webber

Apology for Absence County Borough Councillor:

M.Forey

Other Members in Attendance County Borough Councillors:

S.Bradwick and P.Wasley

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

- That Members acknowledged that RIPA had been used in an appropriate manner that is consistent with the Council's RIPA policies.
- To adopt the revised Corporate RIPA Policy, as shown at Appendix 1 to the report to (i) reflect the changes made to the Home Office Codes of Practice and (ii) implement the recommendations arising from the Office of Surveillance Commissioners' inspection.
- To adopt the revised Corporate Policy on the Acquiring of Communications Data, as shown at Appendix 2 to the report, following receipt of additional guidance from the Interception of Communications Commissioner's Office.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

- To enable Members to review the Council's use of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) in 2013 to 2014 and to set the Corporate policies for the use of RIPA in 2014 to 2015.

3. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

N/A

4. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

None

5. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):

N/A

6. (a) IS THE DECISION URGENT AND NOT TO BE THE SUBJECT OF ANY CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

YES NO ✓

Note: This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 5 clear working days after its publication i.e. **Monday, 10th November, 2014** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

6. (b) IF YES, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS URGENT:

N/A

6. (c) SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:

N/A

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(Mayor)

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(Dated)



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(Proper Officer)

31st October, 2014

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(Dated)