



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 16 October, 2018

Cabinet Members Present:

Councillor A Morgan (Chair), Councillor M Webber (Vice-Chair),
Councillor R Bevan, Councillor A Crimmings, Councillor G Hopkins,
Councillor M Norris, Councillor J Rosser, Councillor R Lewis and
Councillor C Leyshon

Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-

Councillor G Caple and Councillor J Williams

Agenda Item : 10

**SUBJECT: REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000 (RIPA) -USE OF
RIPA IN 2017-18 BY RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL AND THE
COUNCIL'S CORPORATE ENFORCEMENT POLICY**

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

1. To note the contents of the report;
2. To acknowledge that RIPA had been used in an appropriate manner that is consistent with the Council's RIPA policies during the period 1st April 2017 – 31st March 2018;
3. To approve the proposed revisions to (i) the Corporate Enforcement Policy and (ii) the Corporate RIPA Policy as shown in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report respectively; and
4. To note that in the Senior Responsible Officer's opinion the current Acquisition of Communications Data under RIPA Policy remains fit for purpose.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

The need to ensure Members are kept apprised of how RIPA has been used during the period 1st April 2017 - 31st March 2018 and that it has been used in an appropriate manner consistent with the Council's RIPA policies.

3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES/FUTURE GENERATIONS - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:

The report will ensure that effective governance arrangements with regards to RIPA remain in place by the Council.

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

The report has been prepared in consultation with the Council's Trading Standards Manager who is responsible for operational oversight of RIPA matters.

5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:

None

6. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

None

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

N/A

8. (a) IS THE DECISION SUBJECT TO CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

Yes

Note: This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 3 clear working days after its publication i.e. **22 October 2018** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

8.(b) IF NO, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS EXEMPT OR NON APPLICABLE:

- I. COUNCIL / SCRUTINY FUNCTION (CALL IN IS THEREFORE NON APPLICABLE):-
Reason: N/A

- II. URGENT DECISION:-
Reason N/A

8.(c) IF DEEMED URGENT - 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:

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(Mayor)

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(Dated)

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APPROVED FOR PUBLICATION: ✓