

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR PUBLIC PROTECTION

THURSDAY, 28 January 2021

PRESENT: Councillor: P.M. Hughes (Executive Board Member).

The following officers were in attendance:

R. Edgecombe, Legal Services Manager

K. Thomas, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting - 2.00 - 2.10 pm

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of personal interest.

2. DECISIONS RECORD 17TH JANUARY 2020

RESOLVED that the decision record of the meeting held on 17th January, 2020 be signed as a correct record.

3. REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT

The Executive Board Member considered a report which provided an overview of the use of covert surveillance activity undertaken by the Authority in 2020 along with the written procedures for the conduct of covert surveillance by staff and for the use of such surveillance. It was also noted that the Council's procedure document had been reviewed and changes made to the section relating to the interception of communications data to reflect changes to the application process which required Executive Board Member approval

The report included information in relation to the following:

- Directed Surveillance;
- Covert human Intelligence Sources;
- Interception of Communications Data;
- Unauthorised Covert Surveillance;
- Statistical Returns;
- Covert Surveillance Procedure Document.

The Executive Board Member noted that no authorisations had been issued under this Act during 2020 for the conduct of directed surveillance, covert human intelligence sources and interception of communications data.

RESOLVED that:

3.1 the covert surveillance activity undertaken by the authority in 2020 be noted;

3.2 the amendments to the Corporate Surveillance Procedure Document on the conduct of surveillance be approved for 2021.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

DATE