Bracknell Forest Council Record of Decision

Work Programme Reference	

1. **TITLE:** Amendment to the Council's Policy on Directed Surveillance and Use of Covert Human Intelligence Sources under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Corporate Services

3. PURPOSE OF DECISION

To amend the Council's existing Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) policy following an inspection by the Assistant Surveillance Commissioner on the 13 March 2014

4 IS KEY DECISION Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive

6. **DECISION**:

That the draft policy on Directed Surveillance and Use of Covert Human Intelligence Sources attached as an Appendix to the Director of Corporate Services' report be approved.

7. REASON FOR DECISION

To implement the recommendations of the Assistant Surveillance Commissioner following an inspection and a review of the Council's Policy on Directed Surveillance and Use of Covert Human Intelligence Sources under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) and the Human Rights Act 2000.

To ensure that the Council's Policy on Directed Surveillance and Use of Covert Human Intelligence Sources is up to date.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

None. The Council should have a Policy which is up-to-date, reflects good practice and the statutory Code of Practice in relation to the use of RIPA.

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** Not applicable

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Director of Corporate Services

11. **DECLARED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** None

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period	
21 October 2014	29 October 2014	