Medway Council The Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 October 2022

Contents

1.	Introd	uction	4
	1.1	Summary	4
	1.2	Background	4
	1.3	Review	4
	1.4	Scope	4
2.	Genera	al	4
	2.1	Definition of Surveillance	5
	2.2	Confidential Material	6
3.	Directe	ed and intrusive surveillance	6
	3.1	Directed Surveillance	6
	3.2	Intrusive Surveillance	6
4.	Identif	ying directed surveillance	6
	4.1	Is the surveillance covert?	7
	4.2	Is the surveillance for the purposes of a specific investigation or a specific operation?	7
	4.3	Is the surveillance in such a manner that is likely to result in the obtaining of private information about a person?	7
	4.4	Is the surveillance otherwise than by way of an immediate response to events or circumstances where it is not reasonably practicable to get authorisation?	7
5.	Covert	human intelligence sources	8
	5.1	Definition	3
	5.2	Security and Welfare	9
6.	Covert	surveillance of social networking sites (sns)1	0
7.	Comm	unications data1	3
	7.1	Definition	1
	7.2	Serious Crime Threshold	
	7.2.	1 Definition of Serious Crime	
8.	Author	risation procedure14	1
		General	
	8.2	Who can give Provisional Authorisations?	5
	8.3	Grounds for Authorisation – the 'necessary & proportionate' test	5

	8.4	Judicial Approval of Provisional Authorisations and Renewals	. 1/
	8.5	Special Procedure for Provisional Authorisation of and Issuing of Notices in respect of Communications Data	
		Urgency	. 20
	8.7	Standard Forms	
9. /	Activit	ies by other public authorities	20
10.	Joint	investigations	20
11.	Durat	ion, renewals and cancellation of authorisations	18
	11.1	Duration	18
	11.2	Reviews	18
	11.3	Renewals	19
	11.4	Cancellations	19
12.	Reco	ds	19
	12.1	Central record of all Authorisations	20
	12.2	Records maintained in the Department	20
	12.3	Other Record of Covert Human Intelligence Sources	21
13.	Reter	ntion and destruction	22
14.	Conse	equences of ignoring RIPA	24
15	Scrut	iny of investigatory hodies	2/

List of Appendices:

- 1. Authorised Officers
- 2. Application form
- 3. Review Form
- 4. Renewal Form
- 5. Cancellation form

Corporate Sur	veillance Guidance		
Version	2.0	Approved by	Assistant Director – Legal and Governance
Date last amended	220809	Approval date	
Lead officer		Review date	
Contact		Effective date	

1. Introduction

1.1 *Summary*

- 1.1.1 The Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 ('RIPA') brought into force theregulation of covert investigation by a number of bodies, including local authorities. RIPA regulates a number of investigative procedures, the most recent of which is the access to communications data.
- 1.1.2 This document is intended to provide officers with guidance on the use of covert surveillance and Covert Human Intelligence Sources ('Sources') under RIPA. Officers must take into account the Codes of Practice issued under RIPA and the Codes of Practice.

1.2 Background

- 1.2.1 The Human Rights Act 1998 requires the Council, and organisations working on its behalf, pursuant to Article 8 of the European Convention, to respect the private and family life of a citizen, his home and his correspondence.
- 1.2.2 The European Convention did not, however, make this an absolute right, but a qualified right. Accordingly, in certain circumstances, the Council may interfere in the citizen's right mentioned above, if such interference is:
 - (a) in accordance with the law
 - (b) necessary (as defined in this document); and
 - (c) proportionate (as defined in this document).
- 1.2.3 RIPA provides a statutory mechanism for authorising certain types of surveillance. It seeks to ensure that any interference with an individual's right under Article 8 of the European Convention is necessary and proportionate. In doing so, RIPA seeks to ensureboth the public interest and the human rights of individuals are suitably balanced.
- 1.2.4 If the correct procedures are not followed, evidence may be disallowed by the courts, a complaint of maladministration could be made to the Ombudsman, and/or the Council could be ordered to pay compensation. It is essential, therefore, that all involved with RIPA comply with this document and any further guidance that may be issued, from time to time, by the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance.
- 1.2.5 Each officer of the Council with responsibilities for the conduct of investigations, shall, before carrying out any investigation involving RIPA, undertake appropriate training toensure that investigations and operations that he/she carries out will be conducted lawfully.

1.2.6 The Assistant Director, Legal & Governance, is appointed as the senior responsible officer to ensure the integrity of the process within the Council and its compliance with RIPA; to have oversight of reporting of errors to the relevant oversight commissioner; responsibility for engagement with the Investigatory Powers Commissioner's Office when they conduct their inspections and where necessary, oversight of the implementation of any post-inspection action plan. The senior responsible officer willalso ensure that Members regularly review the Council's use of RIPA.

1.3 Review

- 1.3.1 RIPA and this document are important for the effective and efficient operation of the Council's actions with regard to surveillance. This document will, therefore, be kept under yearly review by the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance.
- 1.3.2 Authorising Officers must bring any suggestions for continuous improvement of this document to the attention of the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance, at the earliestpossible opportunity.

1.4 Scope

- 1.4.1 RIPA covers the authorisation of directed surveillance and the authorisation of sources. An authorisation under RIPA will provide lawful authority for the investigating officer to carry out surveillance.
- 1.4.2 In terms of monitoring e-mails and internet usage, it is important to recognise the interplay and overlaps with the Council's e-mail and internet policies and guidance, the Telecommunications (Lawful Business Practice) (Interception of Communications) Regulations 2000 and the Data Protection Act 1998. RIPA forms should be used where relevant and they will only be relevant where the criteria listed on the forms are fully met.

2. General

2.1 Definition of Surveillance

'Surveillance' includes:

- a) monitoring, observing or listening to persons, their movements, their conversations or their other activities or communication;
- b) recording anything monitored, observed or listened to in the course of surveillance
- c) surveillance by or with the assistance of a surveillance device

d) the interception of postal and telephone communications wherethe sender or recipient consents to the reading of or listening to or recording of the communication. This is a form of directed surveillance.

2.2 Confidential Material

- 2.2.1 Particular care should be taken in cases where the subject of the investigation or operation might reasonably expect a high degree of privacy, or where confidential information is involved. Confidential information consists of matters subject to legal privilege, confidential personal information, confidential journalistic material and communications between an MP and a constituent.
- 2.2.2 Applications in which the surveillance is likely to result in the acquisition of confidential material will only be considered in exceptional and compelling circumstances with full regard to the proportionality issues this raises.
- 2.2.3 The Authorising Officer shall give the fullest consideration to any cases where the subject of the surveillance might reasonably expect a high degree of privacy, for instance in his or her home.
- 2.2.4 Where a likely consequence of surveillance would result in the acquisition of confidential material, the investigating officer must seek authority from the Chief Executive, or, in his absence, the Director of Place and Deputy Chief Executive.

3. Directed and intrusive surveillance

3.1 Directed Surveillance

Directed surveillance is surveillance which is covert, but not intrusive, and undertaken:

- a) for the purposes of a specific investigation or specific operation;
- b) in such a manner as is likely to result in the obtaining of private information about a person (whether or not one specifically identified for the purposes of the investigation or operation); and
- c) otherwise, than by way of an immediate response to events or circumstances the nature of which is such that it would not be reasonably practicable for an authorisation under RIPA to be sought for the carrying out of the surveillance.

3.2 Intrusive Surveillance

- 3.2.1 That surveillance becomes intrusive if the covert surveillance:
 - a) is carried out by means of a surveillance device in relation to anything taking place on any residential premises or in any private vehicle; or

- b) is carried out without that device being present on the premises or in the vehicle, is not intrusive unless the device is such that it consistently provides information of the same quality and detail as might be expected to be obtained from a device actually present on the premises or in the vehicle, or
- c) is carried out in places ordinarily used for legal consultation, at a time when they are being used for such consultations
- 3.2.2 Therefore, directed surveillance turns into intrusive surveillance if it is carried out involving anything that occurs on <u>residential</u> premises or any <u>private</u> vehicle and involves the presence of someone on the premises or in the vehicle or is carried out by means of a surveillance device **OR** when directed surveillance is carried out in placesordinarily used for legal consultation, at a time when they are being used for such consultations.
- 3.2.3 For intrusive surveillance relating to residential premises or private vehicles, if any device used is not on the premises or in the vehicle, it is only intrusive surveillance if itconsistently produces information of the same quality as if it were.
- 3.2.4 Where covert surveillance is carried out by a device designed or adapted principally for the purpose of providing information about the location of a vehicle, the activity is directed surveillance.
- 3.2.5 Commercial premises and vehicles are therefore excluded from intrusive surveillance. Currently, local authorities are <u>not</u> authorised to carry out intrusive surveillance.

4. Identifying directed surveillance

Ask yourself the following questions:

4.1 *Is the surveillance covert?*

- 4.1.1 Covert surveillance is any surveillance that is carried out in a manner calculated to ensure that the persons subject to the surveillance are unaware that it is or may be taking place.
- 4.1.2 If your activities are not hidden from the subjects of your investigation, you are not within the RIPA framework at all. In many cases, Officers will be behaving in the sameway as a normal member of the public (e.g. in the case of most test purchases), and/orwill be going about Council business openly (e.g. a market inspector walking through markets).
- 4.1.3 Similarly, surveillance will be overt if the subject has been told it will happen (e.g. where a noisemaker is warned (preferably in writing) that noise will be recorded if thenoise continues, or where an entertainment licence is issued subject to conditions, and the licensee is told that officers may visit without notice or identifying themselves to the owner/proprietor to check that conditions are being met.

- 4.1.4 It should be noted that if the same outcome can be achieved by overt means, then those means need to be fully explored in the first instance. Covert surveillance must only be undertaken when there is no less invasive way of achieving the outcome.
- 4.2 Is the surveillance for the purposes of a specific investigation or aspecific operation?
 - 4.2.1 Although, the provisions of the Act do not normally cover the use of overt CCTV surveillance systems, since members of the public are aware that such systems are in use, there may be occasions when public authorities use overt CCTV systems for the purposes of a specific investigation or operation. For example, if the CCTV cameras are targeting a particular known offender. In such cases, authorisation for directed surveillance may be necessary.
- 4.3 Is the surveillance in such a manner that is likely to result in the obtaining of private information about a person?
 - 4.3.1 Private information includes any information relating to a person's private or family life. The concept of private information should be broadly interpreted to include an individual's private or personal relationship with others. It includes an individual's business and family relationships. Family life itself should be treated as extending beyond the formal relationships created by marriage.
- 4.4 Is the surveillance otherwise than by way of an immediate response to events or circumstances where it is not reasonably practicable to get authorisation?
 - 4.4.1 Directed surveillance does not include covert surveillance carried out by way of an immediate response to events or circumstances which, by their very nature, could nothave been foreseen. For example, a police officer would not require an authorisation to conceal himself and observe a suspicious person that he came across in the courseof a patrol.
 - 4.4.2 However, if as a result of that immediate response, you undertake a specific investigation you will need authorisation.

5. Covert human intelligence sources

5.1 Definition

5.1.1 A person is a source if:

- a) he establishes or maintains a personal or other <u>relationship</u> with a person forthe covert purpose of facilitating the doing of anything falling within paragraph (b) or (c);
- b) he covertly uses such a relationship to obtain information or to provide accessto any information to another person; or
- he covertly discloses information obtained by the use of such a relationshipor as a consequence of the existence of such a relationship.

A source may include those referred to as agents, informants and officers working undercover.

A purpose is covert, in relation to the establishment or maintenance of a personal or other relationship, <u>if and only if</u>, the relationship is conducted in a manner that is calculated to ensure that one of the parties to the relationship is unaware of the purpose.

A relationship is used covertly, and information obtained is disclosed covertly, <u>if and only if</u> it is used or disclosed in a manner that is calculated to ensure that one of the parties to the relationship is unaware of the use or disclosure in question.

The use of a source involves inducing, asking or assisting a person to engage in the conduct of a source, or to obtain information by means of the conduct of such a source.

This covers the use of professional witnesses to obtain information and evidence. For example, it will include professional witnesses retained by Housing to pose as tenantsto obtain information and evidence against alleged nuisance perpetrators.

- 5.1.2 Carrying out test purchases will not require the purchaser to establish a relationship with the supplier with the covert purpose of obtaining information and, therefore, the purchaser will not normally be a CHIS. For example, authorisation would not normally be required for test purchases carried out in the ordinary course of business (e.g. walking into a shop and purchasing a product over the counter).
- 5.1.3 By contrast, developing a relationship with a person in the shop, to obtain information about the seller's suppliers of an illegal product will require authorisation as a CHIS. Similarly, using mobile hidden recording devices or CCTV cameras to record what is going on in the shop, or an adult is observing a juvenile test purchase, this will require authorisation as directed

surveillance, (where the adult is present only to ensure the minors safety then no authorisation is required). In all cases, a prior risk assessment is essential in relation to any young person used for a test purchase.

- 5.1.4 The Code of Practice states that the provisions of RIPA are not intended to apply in circumstances where members of the public volunteer information to the police or other authorities, as part of their normal civic duties, or to contact numbers set up to receive information (such as Crimestoppers, Customs Confidential, the Anti Terrorist Hotline, or the Security Service Public Telephone Number). Members of the public acting in this way would not generally be regarded as sources.
- 5.1.5 It should be noted, however, that if the information provided is recorded as potentially useful or actionable, there is potential duty of care to the individual and the onus is on the public authority to manage human sources properly. Authorising Officers should be alive to the possibility of 'status drift'. Authorising Officers, when deciding whether to grant an authorisation, should take account of the difference between a volunteer of information already known to the individual and the relevance of the exploitation of a relationship for a covert purpose.
- 5.1.6 An authorisation under RIPA will provide lawful authority for the use of a source.

5.2 Security and Welfare

- 5.2.1 Only the Chief Executive or, in his absence, the Director of Place and Deputy Chief Executive, is able to authorise the use of vulnerable individuals and juvenile sources. The Authorising Officer shall have regard to the special safeguards and provisions that apply to vulnerable individuals and juvenile sources, more particularly set out in the Covert Human Intelligence Source Code of Practice.
- 5.2.2 The Authorising Officer shall ensure that arrangements are in place for the proper oversight and management of sources, including appointing individual officers for each source. The person responsible for the day-to-day contact between the public authority and the source will usually be of a rank or position below that of the Authorising Officer.
- 6. Officers using a source shall consider the safety and welfare of that source (even after cancellation of the authorisation), and the foreseeable consequences to others of the tasks they are asked to carry out. The Authorising Officer shall carry out a risk assessment before authorising the sourceCovert surveillance of social networking sites (SNS)

- 6.1.1 Even though data may be deemed published and no longer under the control of the author, it is unwise to regard it as 'open source' or publicly available. The author has a reasonable expectation of privacy if access controls are applied. In some cases, datamay be deemed private communication still in transmission.
- 6.1.2 Providing there is no warrant authorising interception in accordance with section 48(4) of the Act, if it is necessary and proportionate for a public authority to breach covertly access controls, the minimum requirement is an authorisation for directed surveillance. An authorisation for the use and conduct of a CHIS is necessary if a relationship is established or maintained by a member of a public authority or by a person acting on its behalf, i.e. the activity is more than mere reading of the site's content

6.1.3 Officers must not:

- Set up a false identity for a covert purpose without authorisation
- Adopt the identity of a person known, or likely to be known, to the subject of interest or users of the site without authorisation and without the consent of the person of the person whose identity is used, and without considering the protection of that person. The consent must be explicit.
- Use their personal social network login details to view individuals underinvestigation
- 6.1.4 In deciding whether online surveillance should be regarded as covert, consideration should be given to the likelihood of the subject(s) knowing that the surveillance is or may be taking place. Use of the internet itself may be considered as adopting a surveillance technique calculated to ensure that the subject is unaware of it, even if no further steps are taken to conceal the activity. Conversely, if reasonable steps havebeen taken to inform the public or particular individuals that the surveillance is or maybe taking place, this can be regarded as overt and a directed surveillance authorisationwill not normally be available.
- 6.1.5 As set out in paragraph 6.6 below, depending on the nature of the online platform, there may be a reduced expectation of privacy where information relating to a personor group of people is made openly available within the public domain, however in some circumstances privacy implications still apply. This is because the intention whenmaking such information available was not for it to be used for a covert purpose such as investigative activity. This is regardless of whether a user of a website or social media platform has sought to protect such information by restricting its access by activating privacy settings.
- 6.1.6 Where information about an individual is placed on a publicly accessible database, forexample the telephone directory or Companies House, which is

commonly used and known to be accessible to all, they are unlikely to have any reasonable expectation of post information on social media networks and other websites whose purpose is to communicate messages to a wide audience are also less likely to hold a reasonable expectation of privacy in relation to that information.

6.1.7 Whether the Council interferes with a person's private life includes a consideration of the nature of the Council's activity in relation to that information. Simple reconnaissance of such sites (i.e. preliminary examination with a view to establishing whether the site or its contents are of interest) is unlikely to interfere with a person's reasonably held expectation of privacy and therefore is not likely to require a directed surveillance authorisation. But where the Council is systematically collecting and recording information about a particular person or group, a directed surveillance authorisation should be considered. These considerations apply regardless of when the information was shared online.

Example 1: A simple internet search on a name, address or telephone number to find out whether a subject of interest has an online presence is unlikely to need an authorisation. However, if having found an individual's social media profile or identity it is decided to monitor it or extract information from it for retention in a record because it is relevant to an investigation or operation, authorisation shouldthen be considered

Example 2: Initial examination of an individual's online profile to establish whetherthey are of relevance to an investigation is unlikely to need an authorisation.

Visiting a website would not normally amount to surveillance, but if during that visit it is intended to extract and record information to establish a profile including information such as identity, pattern of life, habits, intentions or associations, it may be advisable to have in place an authorisation even for that single visit. As setout in the following paragraph, the purpose of the visit may be relevant as to whether an authorisation should be sought.

Example 3: General monitoring of the internet in circumstances where it is not part of a specific, ongoing investigation or operation does not require RIPA authorisation. This includes any monitoring that is intended to identify themes, trends, possible indicators of criminality or other factors that may influence operational strategies or deployments. It may also include the discovery of previously unknown subjects of interest, but once it is decided to monitor those individuals as part of an ongoing operation or investigation, authorisation should be considered.

6.1.8 In order to determine whether a directed surveillance authorisation should be soughtfor accessing information on a website as part of a covert investigation

or operation, it is necessary to look at the intended purpose and scope of the online activity it is proposed to undertake. Factors that should be considered in establishing whether a directed surveillance authorisation is required include:

- Whether the investigation or research is directed towards an individual or
- Whether it is likely to result in obtaining private information about a
 person or groupof people (taking account of the guidance at
 paragraph 3.6 above);
- Whether it is likely to involve visiting internet sites to build up an intelligence pictureor profile;
- Whether the information obtained will be recorded and retained;
- Whether the information is likely to provide an observer with a pattern oflifestyle;
- Whether the information is being combined with other sources of information orintelligence, which amounts to information relating to a person's private life;
- Whether the investigation or research is part of an ongoing piece of workinvolving repeated viewing of the subject(s);
- Whether it is likely to involve identifying and recording information about third parties, such as friends and family members of the subject of interest, or information posted by third parties, that may include private information and therefore constitute collateral intrusion into the privacy of these third parties.
 - Internet searches carried out by a third party on behalf of a public authority, or withtheuse of a search tool, may still require a directed surveillance authorisation

Example: Researchers within a public authority using automated monitoring tools to search for common terminology used online for illegal purposes will not normallyrequire a directed surveillance authorisation. Similarly, general analysis of data by public authorities either directly or through a third party for predictive purposes (e.g. identifying crime hotspots or analysing trends) is not usually directed surveillance. In such cases, the focus on individuals or groups is likely to be sufficiently cursory that it would not meet the definition of surveillance. But officers should be aware of the possibility that the broad thematic research may evolve, and that authorisation may be appropriate at the point where it begins to focus on specific individuals or groups. If specific names or other identifiers of an individual or group

are applied to the search or analysis, an authorisation should be considered.

6.1.9 Each viewing of a company or an individual's Social Media profile for the purpose of investigation or evidence gathering must be notified to the SRO and will be recorded onthe log held by the Legal Team. All Authorising Officers have access to view the log in the office on request.

7. Communications data

7.1 *Definition*

for obtaining communications data and the disclosure to any person of such data. For these purposes, communications data includes information relating to the use of a postal service or telecommunications system but does <u>not</u> include the contents of the communication itself, content of emails or interaction with websites.

Communications data includes subscribers details, names and addresses andtelephone numbers of those contacted, billing addresses, account information, web addresses visited etc.

The Investigatory Powers Act 2016 (IPA) created new Communications Data terminology. Communications Data now comprises 'Entity Data' and 'Events Data'.

Entity Data broadly replaces 'Subscriber Data' under RIPA, s21(4)(c), e,g name of subscriber, address for billing, contact telephone number, subscriber account information etc.

Events Data identifies or describes events which consist of one or more entities engaging in an activity at a specific time or times. It includes call histories and activity, including itemized records of telephone calls, internet connections, dates and times/duration of calls etc. Event data refers to both 'Traffic Data' (S21(4)(a)) and 'Service Use Information' (S21(4)(b)) under RIPA. Where the purpose of the acquisition is to prevent or detect crime and the data required is Events data, the offence or conduct of the offence being investigated must meet at least one of the definitions of serious crime.

7.2 Serious Crime threshold

7.2.1 From 1st November 2018, an amendment to RIPA came into force adding a serious crime threshold to the acquisition of service or traffic data. This means that where anapplication is for the crime statutory purpose (S60A(7)(b)) to acquire event data, the crime must be a serious crime.

7.3 Definition of Serious Crime

- 12 months (or more) imprisonment
 - an offence that is capable of attracting a prison sentence of 12 months or more

- Corporate Body
 - an offence by a person who is not an individual
- S81 Offence
 - an offence falling within the definition of serious crime in S81(3)(b) of the IPA where the conduct involves the use of violence, results in substantial financial gain or is by a large number of persons in pursuit of a common purpose
- Communication Offence communication
 - Breach of Privacy
 - an offence which involves, as an integral part of it, a breach of a person's privacy

8. Authorisation procedure

8.1 General

- 8.1.1 Authorisation is required for the use of directed surveillance, for the conduct and use of sources and for the conduct in relation to a postal service or telecommunication system and the disclosure to any person of such data. Authorisation for directed surveillance can only be granted if the purpose of the surveillance is the prevention ordetection of crime(s) punishable by 6 months imprisonment or more or relates to thesale or alcohol or tobacco to underage persons.
- 8.1.2 If the authorisation is approved by the Authorising Officer, each authorisation then needs to receive judicial approval before being acted upon. Once approved, the original authorisation and accompanying paperwork must be forwarded to the Legal Team to allocate the application a Unique Reference Number (URN) and for key details to be entered onto the central register. For further detail, see paragraph 12.1.
- 8.1.3 Any officer wishing to engage in conduct in relation to a postal service and telecommunication system for obtaining communications data and the disclosure to any person of such data must also seek authorisation, the procedure of which differs slightly and is outlined in paragraph 8.5.

8.2 Who can give Provisional Authorisations?

8.2.1 By law, the 'Authorising Officer' for local authority purposes must be of an appropriatelevel of seniority i.e. Directors Heads of Service, service manager or equivalent. An Authorising Officer may grant an authorisation, but this authorisation will not take effect until it receives judicial approval (See paragraph 7.4). Please note that certain provisional authorisations, namely

those relating to confidential information, vulnerable individuals and juvenile sources, can only be granted by the Chief Executive, or, in his genuine absence, the Director of Place and Deputy Chief Executive.

- 8.2.2 The Council's authorised posts are listed in Appendix 1. This appendix will be kept up to date by the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance and added to as needs require. If a Chief Officer wishes to add, delete or substitute a post, a request must be referred to the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance, for consideration as necessary. The Assistant Director, Legal & Governance, has the delegated authority to add, delete or substitute posts.
- 8.2.3 It will be the responsibility of Authorising Officers who have been duly certified to ensure their relevant members of staff are also suitably trained as 'applicants' so as to avoid common mistakes appearing on forms for RIPA authorisations.
- 8.2.4 Authorising Officers are certified to sign any RIPA forms. A certificate of training will be provided to the individual and a central register of all those individuals who have undergone training or a one-to-one meeting with the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance, on such matters, will be kept by the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance.
- 8.2.5 Authorising officers should not normally be responsible for authorising operations in which they are directly involved, although it is recognised that this may sometimes be unavoidable. Where an Authorising Officer authorises such an investigation or operation the central register will highlight this and the Commissioner or inspector will be notified of this during his or her next inspection.
- 8.2.6 Authorising Officers will also ensure that staff who report to them follow this guidancedocument and do not undertake or carry out any form of surveillance without first obtaining the relevant authorisations in compliance with this document.
- 8.2.7 Any equipment to be used in any approved surveillance must be properly controlled, recorded and maintained for audit purposes.

8.3 Grounds for Authorisation – the 'necessary & proportionate' test

- 8.3.1 An Authorising Officer has a number of obligations within the provisions of the Act, which must be met before carrying out any form of surveillance.
- 8.3.2 An Authorising Officer shall not grant an authorisation for the carrying out of

directed surveillance, or for the use of a source or for the obtaining or disclosing of communications data unless he believes:

- a) that the authorisation is necessary and
- b) the authorised investigation is proportionate to what is sought to beachieved by carrying it out
- 8.3.3 For local authority investigations, authorisation is deemed "necessary" in the circumstances of the particular case if it is for the purpose of preventing and detecting rime or of preventing disorder.
- 8.3.4 Conduct is not deemed "proportionate" if the pursuance of the legitimate aim listed above will not justify the interference if the means used to achieve the aim are excessive in the circumstances. Any conduct must meet the objective in question and must not be arbitrary or unfair nor must the impact on any individuals or group be toosevere.
- 8.3.5 The conduct must also be the least invasive method of achieving the end and the risk of intrusion into the privacy of persons other than those who are directly the subjects of the investigation must be assessed and taken into account (see Collateral Intrusion below).
- 8.3.6 Consideration must be given to the seriousness of the offence under consideration.
- 8.3.7 Authorisation for directed surveillance can only be granted if the purpose of the surveillance is the prevention or detection of crime(s) punishable by 6 months imprisonment or more, or relates to the sale or alcohol or tobacco to underage persons. Covert surveillance relating to dog fouling and schools admissions/suspected false addresses will not be deemed a proportionate activity.
- 8.3.8 Careful consideration needs to be made by authorising officers of all of these points. Such consideration needs to be demonstrated on the authorisation form in the relevant parts. Authorising Officers must exercise their minds every time they are asked to sign a form. They must never sign or rubber stamp the form without thinking about their personal and the Council's responsibilities.
- 8.3.9 Any boxes not needed on the form/s must be clearly marked as being 'not applicable' or a line put through the same. Great care must also be taken to ensure accurate information is used and inserted in the correct boxes. Reasons for any refusal of an application must also be kept on the form and retained for future audits.

8.3.10 Authorising Officers should not be responsible for authorising investigations or operations in which they are directly involved.

8.3.11 Collateral Intrusion

- 8.3.12 Before authorising investigative procedures, the Authorising Officer shall also take into account the risk of intrusion into the privacy of persons other than those who are directly the subjects of the investigation or operation (collateral intrusion). The investigating officer shall take measures, wherever practicable, to avoid or minimise unnecessary intrusion into the lives of those not directly connected with the investigation or operation.
- 8.3.13 An application for an authorisation shall include an assessment of the risk of any collateral intrusion. The Authorising Officer shall take this into account, when considering the proportionality of the surveillance.
- 8.3.14 Where an operation unexpectedly interferes with the privacy of individuals who werenot the subject of surveillance or covered by the authorisation in some other way, the investigating officer should inform the Authorising Officer.

8.4 Judicial Approval of Provisional Authorisations and Renewals

- 8.4.1 The Council is only able to grant a provisional authorisation or renewal to conduct covert surveillance. All provisional authorisations and renewals must be approved by the Magistrates Court before surveillance commences.
- 8.4.2 The Council must apply to the local Magistrates Court for an Order approving the grant or renewal of an authorisation. A template application form is included at Appendix 2to this policy. In order to obtain judicial approval, the form must be completed and submitted having received provisional authorisation from an Authorised Officer and with any other relevant supporting documents.
- 8.4.3 The Council does not need to give notice of the application to the person(s) subject to the application or their legal representatives. If the Magistrates Court refuse to approve the application, they may also make an order quashing the provisional authorisation.
- 8.4.4 The Magistrates will consider the provisionally authorised application or renewal, and will need to satisfy themselves that:
 - a) At the time of provisional authorisation, there were reasonable grounds for believing that the tests of necessity and proportionality were

- satisfied in relation to the authorisation, and that those grounds still exist;
- b) That the person who granted provisional authorisation was an appropriately designated person;
- The provisional grant or renewal of any authorisation or notice was not in breach of any restrictions imposed under RIPA; and
- Any other conditions provided for by an order made by the Secretary of Statewere satisfied.
- 8.4.5 A further requirement in relation to renewal of covert human intelligence sources, is that judicial approval will only be granted if the Magistrates are satisfied that a review has been carried out, which considers:
 - the use made of the source in the period since authorisation was granted (orthe last renewal); and
 - the tasks given to the source during that period, and the information obtained from the conduct or use of the source and
 - for the purposes of making an Order, the Magistrates have considered the resultsof that review.
- 8.4.6 The Council's Trading Standards Team will generally make applications for judicial approval to the Magistrates Court on behalf of the Council. Any particularly complex authorisations or authorisations arising from other areas of the Council that require legal input or representation may be dealt with by the Council's Legal Team if necessary in the circumstances.

8.5 Special Procedure for Authorisation in respect of Communications Data

- 8.5.1 The introduction of the Office for Communications Data Authorisations (OCDA) means the acquisition of Communications Data by local authority officers is no longer subject to judicial approval by a Magistrate. OCDA assesses Communications Data applications from public authorities and makes decisions about those applications that strike a fine balance between the protection of privacy and the risk to public safety. OCDA acts as a hub of authorisation expertise, independently assessing applications, holding authorities accountable to robust safeguarding standards and challenging where required.
- 8.5.2 Applications for the obtaining and disclosure of communications data may only be made by officers of the Council.
- 8.5.3 Applications for communications data must be channelled through single points of contact ("SPoCs"). The SPoC is able to advise authorising officers as to whether an authorisation or notice is appropriate.
 - The Council use the services of the National Anti-Fraud Network (NAFN) for all Communications Data enquiries and as such NAFN performs the role of a SPoC

through their qualified SPoC officers. All applicants must be registered with NAFN via the NAFN website at www.nafn.gov.uk. Any initial internal queries can be directed to James Larkin Head of Internal Audit and Counter Fraud Shared Service (james.larkin@medway.gov.uk)

8.5.4 The SPoC is required to:

- provide quality assurance checks to ensure that applications consistently comply with IPA standards and to a sufficient level to meet OCDA and IPCOscrutiny
- monitor those applications which are returned for rework or rejected byOCDA and determine the reasons why
- provide organisational and/or individual training as and where necessarysharing best practice, advice and support
- be the point of contact between public authorities and OCDA
- 8.5.5 S60A of IPA provides for independent authorisation of communications data requests by the Investigatory Powers Commissioner (IPC). OCDA performs this function on behalf of the IPC. An authorising officer in OCDA can authorise any lawful request, for any of the specified purposes from any listed authority. For the Council, the sole purpose is the 'applicable crime purpose'.
- 8.5.6 The IPA provides a new requirement for a local authority making an application to ensure someone of at least the rank of Senior Responsible Officer is aware.
- 8.5.7 OCDA will only retain, for a limited period of time, the Communications Data applications which are sent to them and the decision document they issue back to public authorities. Public Authorities are therefore required to keep records of both the Communications Data applications that they issue as well as the decisions received from OCDA. Communications data, and all copies, extracts and summaries of it must be handled and stored securely. The requirements of the Data Protection Act 2018 and the principles of the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996 must be strictly followed.
- 8.5.8 Where the purpose of a Communications Data application is to identify a journalistic source, these must first be authorized by an Authorising Individual (OCDA AO or DSO) but must also be approved by an IPCO Judicial Commissioner (JC). The Applicant and SPOC should pay special consideration to these applications and inform their Senior Responsible Officer. The IPA does not alter the existing processes for Communications Data applications that may feature sensitive professions including medical doctors, lawyers, journalists, parliamentarians or ministers of religion. If the Communications Data could contain information relating to any of these professions, this must be noted in the application.

8.6 *Urgency*

Urgent authorisations are no longer available in relation to directed surveillance or covert human intelligence sources.

8.7 Standard Forms

All authorisations must be in writing.

The standard form for obtaining provisional and judicial approval is provided at Appendix 2. All authorisations shall be sought using the standard forms as amended from time to time.

9. Activities by other public authorities

9.1 The investigating officer shall make enquiries of other public authorities e.g. the police whether they are carrying out similar activities if he considers that there is such a possibility in order to ensure that there is no conflict between the activities of this Council and those other public authorities.

10. Joint investigations

- 10.1 When some other agency has been instructed on behalf of the Council to undertake any action under RIPA, this document and the forms in it must be used (as per normal procedure) and the agency advised or kept informed, as necessary, of the various requirements. They must be made aware explicitly what they are authorised to do.
- 10.2 When some other agency (e.g. police, Customs & Excise, Inland Revenue etc.):
 - (a) wish to use the Council's resources (e.g. CCTV surveillance systems), that agency must use its own RIPA procedures and, before any officer agrees to allow the Council's resources to be used for the other agency's purposes, he must obtain a copy of that agency's RIPA form for the record and/or relevant extracts from the same which are sufficient for the purposes of protecting the Council and the use of its resources
 - (b) wish to use the Council's premises for their own RIPA action, the officer should, normally, co-operate with the same, unless there are security or other good operational or managerial reasons as to why the Council's premises should not be used for the agency's activities. In such cases, the Council's own RIPA forms should not be used as the Council is only assisting and not being involved in the RIPA activity of the external agency being involved in the RIPA activity of the external agency.
- 10.3 In terms of (a), if the police or other agency wish to use the Council's resources for general surveillance, as opposed to specific RIPA authorisations, an appropriate letter

requesting the proposed use, remit, duration, details of who will be undertaking the general surveillance and the purpose of it must be obtained from the police or other agency before any Council resources are made available for the proposed use.

11. Duration, renewals and cancellation of authorisations

11.1 Duration

- 11.1.1 Authorisations must be reviewed in the time stated and cancelled once no longer needed. Authorisations last for:
 - a) 12 months from the date of the judicial approval for the conduct or use of a source (4 months for juvenile CHIS authorisations)
 - b) three months from the date of judicial approval for directed surveillance
 - c) one month from the date of approval for communications data, or earlier if cancelled under Section 23(8) of the Act.
- 11.1.2 However, whether the surveillance is carried out/conducted or not in the relevant period, does not mean that the authorisation is spent. Authorisations do not expire, they have to be reviewed, or cancelled if no longer required.

11.2 Reviews

- 11.2.1 The Authorising Officer shall undertake regular reviews of authorisations to assess theneed for the surveillance to continue. The results of a review should be recorded on the central record of authorisations.
- 11.2.2 Where the surveillance provides access to confidential information or involves collateral intrusion the officer should conduct frequent reviews.
- 11.2.3 The standard form to be used to record a Review can be found at Appendix 3 to this policy.

11.3 Renewals

- 11.3.1 Authorisations may be renewed more than once, if necessary, and the renewal shouldbe kept/recorded as part of the central record of authorisations.
- 11.3.2 Authorisations can be renewed in writing shortly before the maximum period has expired. An authorisation cannot be renewed after it has expired.
- 11.3.3 The Authorising Officer must consider the matter afresh, including taking into account the benefits of the surveillance to date and any collateral intrusion that has occurred.
- 11.3.4 The renewal will begin on the day when the authorisation would have expired, provided the necessary judicial approval has been obtained.

- 11.3.5 A further requirement in relation to renewal of covert human intelligence sources, is that judicial approval will only be granted if the Magistrates are satisfied that a reviewhas been carried out, which considers:
 - the use made of the source in the period since authorisation was granted (or the last renewal); and
 - the tasks given to the source during that period, and
 - the information obtained from the conduct or use of the source and
 - for the purposes of making an Order, the Magistrates have considered the resultsof that review.
- 11.3.6 The Authorising Officer who granted or last renewed the authorisation must cancel it if he is satisfied that the investigative procedure no longer meets the criteria upon which it was authorised.
- 11.3.7 The standard form to be used to record the approval of a Renewal can be found at Appendix 4 to this policy.

11.4 Cancellations

- 11.4.1 An Authorising Officer shall cancel a notice or authorisation as soon as it is no longer necessary, or the conduct is no longer proportionate to what is sought to be achieved. The duty to cancel a notice falls on the authorising officer who issued it.
- 11.4.2 In the case of a notice issued in respect of communications data, the relevant postal or telecommunications operator will be informed of the cancellation.
- 11.4.3 The standard form to be used to record the Cancellation of an authorisation can be found at Appendix 5 to this policy.

12. Records

- 12.1 The Council must keep a detailed record of all authorisations, reviews, renewals, cancellations and rejections in departments and a central register of all such forms will be maintained by the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance.
- 12.2 In relation to communications data, the designated SpoC will retain the forms and the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance, will have access to such forms as and when required.

12.3 Central record of all Authorisations

12.3.1 The Assistant Director, Legal & Governance, shall hold and monitor a centrally retrievable record of all provisional and judicially approved authorisations. The Authorising Officer must notify and forward a copy of any provisional notice or authorisation granted, renewed or cancelled and any judicial

- approval received or refused within 1 week of the event to the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance to ensure that the records are regularly updated.
- 12.3.2 The record will be made available to the relevant Commissioner or an Inspector from the Investigatory Powers Commissioner's Office. These records will be retained for a period of 5 years from the ending of the authorisation. A record will be kept of the dates on which the authorisation notice is started and cancelled.
- 12.3.3 The Assistant Director, Legal & Governance, will monitor the submission of provisional and judicially approved authorisations and notices and give appropriate guidance, from time to time, or amend any provisional or draft document, as necessary. The records submitted to the Assistant Director, Legal & Governance, shall contain the following information:
 - a) the type of authorisation or notice
 - b) the date the provisional authorisation or notice was given;
 - c) name and rank/grade of the authorising officer;
 - d) the date judicial approval was received or refused;
 - e) the unique reference number (URN) of the investigation or operation;
 - the title of the investigation or operation, including a brief description andnames of subjects, if known;
 - g) if the authorisation or notice is renewed, when it was renewed and who authorised the renewal, including the name and rank/grade of the authorisingofficer and the date of judicial approval;
 - h) whether the investigation or operation is likely to result in obtaining confidential information;
 - i) review dates
 - i) the date the authorisation or notice was cancelled.

12.4 Records maintained in the Department

- 12.4.1 The Authorising Officer shall maintain the following documentation, which need not form part of the centrally retrievable record:
 - a) a copy of the application and provisional authorisation or notice together withal copy of any order of judicial approval or refusal, as well as any supplementary documentation and notification of the approval given by the Authorising Officer;
 - b) a record of the period over which the surveillance has taken place;
 - c) the frequency of reviews prescribed by the Authorising Officer;

- d) a record of the result of each review of the authorisation or notice;
- e) a copy of any renewal of an authorisation or notice, together with judicial approval or refusal and the supporting documentation submitted when therenewal was requested;
- f) the date and time when any instruction was given by the Authorising Officer.
- g) the unique reference number for the authorisation (URN)
- 12.4.2 Each form must have a URN. The Authorising Officers will issue the relevant URN to applicants. The cross-referencing of each URN takes place within the form for audit purposes. Rejected forms will also have URN's.

12.5 Other Record of Covert Human Intelligence Sources

- 12.5.1 Proper records must be kept of the authorisation and use of a source. An Authorising Officer must not grant a provisional authorisation for the use or conduct of a source unless he believes that there are arrangements in place for ensuring that there is at alltimes a person with the responsibility for maintaining a record of the use made of thesource.
- 12.5.2 The records shall contain the following information:
 - (a) the identity of the source;
 - (b) the identity, where known, used by the source;
 - (c) any relevant investigating authority other than the Council;
 - (d) the means by which the source is referred to within each relevantinvestigating authority;
 - (e) any other significant information connected with the security and welfare of the source;
 - (f) any confirmation made by a person granting or renewing an authorisation forthe conduct or use of a source that the information in paragraph (d) has beenconsidered and that any identified risks to the security and welfare of the source have where appropriate been properly explained to and understood by the source;
 - (g) the date when, and the circumstances in which, the source was recruited;
 - (h) the identities of the persons who, in relation to the source;
 - hold day-to-day responsibility for dealing with the source and for the source's security and welfare
 - ii. have a general oversight of the use made of the source (not to be the person identified in (h)(i))
 - iii. have responsibility for maintaining a record of the use made of the source
 - (i) the periods during which those persons have discharged those

responsibilities;

- (j) the tasks given to the source and the demands made of him in relation tohisactivities as a source;
- (k) all contacts or communications between the source and a person acting onbehalf of any relevant investigating authority;
- (I) the information obtained by the conduct or use of the source;
- (m) any dissemination of information obtained in that way; and
- (n) in the case of a source who is not an undercover operative, every payment, benefit or reward and every offer of a payment, benefit or reward that is made or provided by or on behalf of any relevant investigating authority in respect of the source's activities for the benefit of that or any other relevantinvestigating authority.

13. Retention and destruction

- 13.1 Material obtained from properly authorised surveillance or a source may be used in other investigations. Arrangements shall be in place for the handling, storage and destruction of material obtained through the use of covert surveillance, a source or the obtaining or disclosure of communications data.
- 13.2 Authorising Officers must ensure compliance with the appropriate data protection requirements and any relevant Corporate Procedures relating to the handling and storage of material.
- 13.3 Where the product of surveillance could be relevant to pending or future proceedings, it should be retained in accordance with established disclosure requirements for a suitable period and subject to review.

14. Consequences of ignoring RIPA

- 14.1 RIPA states that if authorisation confers entitlement to engage in a certain conduct and the conduct is in accordance with the authorisation, then it shall be lawful for all purposes.
- 14.2 Where there is interference with the right to respect for private and family life guaranteed under Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights, and where there is no other source of lawful authority, the consequence of not obtaining an authorisation under RIPA may be that the action is unlawful by virtue of section 6 of the Human Rights Act 1998.
- 14.3 Officers shall seek an authorisation where the directed surveillance, the use of a source or the obtaining or disclosure of communications data is likely to interfere with a person's Article 8 rights to privacy by obtaining private information about that person, whether or not that person is the subject of the investigation or operation.
- 14.4 Obtaining an authorisation will ensure that the action is carried out in accordance with law and subject to stringent safeguards against abuse.

15. Scrutiny of investigatory bodies

15.1 The Investigatory Powers Commissioner's Office independently scrutinises the use of RIPA powers by the investigatory bodies that are subject to it. The Commissioner will

- inspect Councils to ensure compliance with RIPA and can audit/review the Council's policies and procedures, and individual authorisations. Further detail can be found at www.ipco.org.uk
- 15.2 There is also a statutory complaints system welcomed by the Council. The Investigatory Powers Tribunal has been established under RIPA to deal with complaints from members of the public about the use or conduct by public authorities of these powers. The Tribunal is separate from IPCO.
- 15.3 The Council welcomes this external scrutiny. It expects its officers to co-operate fully with these statutory bodies and to bring forward any proposals for improvement that may follow on from an inspection report or a Tribunal hearing.

IF IN DOUBT ADVICE MUST BE SOUGHT FROM THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, LEGAL & GOVERNANCE OR THE LEGAL TEAM

MEDWAY COUNCIL List of Officers to issue authorisations under RIPA

Role	Directorate	Job Title	Person
Authorising Officer		Chief Executive	Neil Davies
Authorising Officer	BSD	Head of Legal Services	Vicky Nutley
AuthorisingOfficer	BSD	Head of Internal Audit & CounterFraud Shared Service	James Larkin
AuthorisingOfficer	RCE	Head of Regulatory Services	lan Gilmore

Unique Reference Number

MEDWAY COUNCIL Part II of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000

Application for Directed Surveillance Authorisation

Public Authority	Medway Council, Gun Wharf,	Dock Road, Chatham, Ken	t, ME4 4TR
(including full address)			
, ,			
Name of Applicant		Unit/Branch / Division	
Full Address			<u> </u>
ruii Audi ess			
Contact Details			
Investigation/Operation			
Name (if applicable)			
T			
Investigating Officer (if a papplicant)	erson otner than the		
7			
DETAILS OF APPLICATION			
1. Give rank or position of	authorising officer in accord	dance with the Regulation	n of Investigatory Powers
(Directed Surveillance a	nd Covert Human Intellige	nce Sources) Order 2010	No. 521. 1 (as amended)

¹ For local authorities: The exact position of the authorising officer should be given. For example, Head of Trading Standards.

Unique Reference Number	Unique Reference Number	
-------------------------	-------------------------	--

2.	Describe the purpose of the specific operation or investigation.
3.	Describe in detail the surveillance operation to be authorised and expected duration, including any premises, vehicles or equipment (e.g. camera, binoculars, recorder) that may be used.
4.	The identities, where known, of those to be subject of the directed surveillance.
•	Name:
•	Address:
•	DOB:
•	Other information as appropriate:
5.	Explain the information that it is desired to obtain as a result of the directed surveillance.

Unique Reference Number

о.	Identify on which grounds the directed surveillance is <u>necessary</u> under Section 28(3) of RIPA. Delete those that are inapplicable. Ensure that you know which of these grounds you are entitled to rely on (SI 2010 No.521).
•	In the interests of national security;
•	For the purpose of preventing or detecting crime or of preventing disorder;
•	In the interests of the economic well-being of the United Kingdom;
•	In the interests of public safety;
•	for the purpose of protecting public health;
•	for the purpose of assessing or collecting any tax, duty, levy or other imposition, contribution or charge payable to a government department;
_	Familia and this discreted conscillance is a consequence the consequence beautified FC and
/.	Explain why this directed surveillance is necessary on the grounds you have identified [Code paragraph 4.4].
_	
8.	Supply details of any potential collateral intrusion and why the intrusion is unavoidable. [Bear in mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.]
8.	
8.	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.]
8.	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.]
8.	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.]
8.	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.]
8.	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.]
8.	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.]
	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.]
	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.] Describe precautions you will take to minimise collateral intrusion. Explain why this directed surveillance is proportionate to what it seeks to achieve. How intrusive might it be on the subject of surveillance or on others? And why is this intrusion outweighed by the need for surveillance in operational terms or can the evidence be obtained by any other means [Code
	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.] Describe precautions you will take to minimise collateral intrusion. Explain why this directed surveillance is proportionate to what it seeks to achieve. How intrusive might it be on the subject of surveillance or on others? And why is this intrusion outweighed by the need for surveillance in operational terms or can the evidence be obtained by any other means [Code
	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.] Describe precautions you will take to minimise collateral intrusion. Explain why this directed surveillance is proportionate to what it seeks to achieve. How intrusive might it be on the subject of surveillance or on others? And why is this intrusion outweighed by the need for surveillance in operational terms or can the evidence be obtained by any other means [Code
	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.] Describe precautions you will take to minimise collateral intrusion. Explain why this directed surveillance is proportionate to what it seeks to achieve. How intrusive might it be on the subject of surveillance or on others? And why is this intrusion outweighed by the need for surveillance in operational terms or can the evidence be obtained by any other means [Code
	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.] Describe precautions you will take to minimise collateral intrusion. Explain why this directed surveillance is proportionate to what it seeks to achieve. How intrusive might it be on the subject of surveillance or on others? And why is this intrusion outweighed by the need for surveillance in operational terms or can the evidence be obtained by any other means [Code
	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.] Describe precautions you will take to minimise collateral intrusion. Explain why this directed surveillance is proportionate to what it seeks to achieve. How intrusive might it be on the subject of surveillance or on others? And why is this intrusion outweighed by the need for surveillance in operational terms or can the evidence be obtained by any other means [Code
	mind Code paragraphs 4.11 to 4.16.] Describe precautions you will take to minimise collateral intrusion. Explain why this directed surveillance is proportionate to what it seeks to achieve. How intrusive might it be on the subject of surveillance or on others? And why is this intrusion outweighed by the need for surveillance in operational terms or can the evidence be obtained by any other means [Code

	Uniq	ue Reference Nun	nber				
	nation [Code paragraphs	_	AATION.				
INDICATE THE LIKELIHOO	OD OF ACQUIRING ANY CO	INFIDENTIAL INFORM	MATION:				
11. Applicant's Details		T	I				
Name (print)		Tel No:					
Grade/Rank		Date					
Signature							
12. Authorising Office this and the follow	r's Statement. [Spell ou ring box.]	t the "5 Ws" – Who	o; What;	Where;	When; V	Why and H	IOW– in
	red surveillance defined as ninst, Where and When will [7]						ectioned,

	Un	ique Reference Nun	nber		
13 Evolain why you h	elieve the directed sur	veillance is necessa	ry [Code naragra	anh 4 41	
Explain why you	believe the directed ing it out [Code paragr	surveillance to be			t to be
14. (Confidential Information paragraphs 9.23 to	rmation Authorisation. o 9.53.) Supply detail demo	onstrating compl	liance with Code	
Date of first review					
	quent reviews of this a fter first review are k				
Name (Print)		Grade / Rank			
	i			1	

Page 5of 6

Date and time

Expiry date and time [e.g.: authorisation granted on 1 April 2022 - expires on 30 June 2022, 23.59]

Signature

|--|

		l [Code paragraph 5.10 an oral instead of a wri						y y c	ou considered the
		led to act in urgent ca sidered by a fully qual					ot reasonabl	УF	oracticable for the
						_			
Name (Print)				Grad Rank					
Siamatuus				Data		and			
Signature				Time		anu			
Urgent authorisat Expiry date:	ion		Expiry time	:					
Remember the 72 h		e.g. authorisation							
rule for urg authorities – check C of Practice.		June 1 st expires 4.59pm on 4 th June							
Remember the 72 h rule for urg authorities – check C	our jent	granted at 5pm on June 1 st expires	Expiry time	Date Time	(and			

MEDWAY COUNCIL Part II of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000

Review of a Directed Surveillance Authorisation

Dublic Authority) (1			IZ . MEA ATER
Public Authority	Medv	way Council, Gun Wharf	, Dock Road, Chatham,	Kent, ME4 4TR
(including address)				
Applicant			Unit/Branch /Division	
Full Address				
Contact Details				
Operation Name			Operation Number* *Filing Ref	
Date of authorisation or last renewal	authorisation or last		Expiry date of authorisation or last renewal	
			Review Number	
Details of review:				
1. Review number an	d date	es of any previous revie	ws.	
Review Number		Date		

	Unique Reference Number						
2. Summary of the investigation/operation to date, including what private information has been obtained and the value of the information so far obtained.							
3. Detail the reasons why it is necessary t	o continue with the directed surveillance	D					
4. Explain how the proposed activity is sti	II proportionate to what it seeks to achie	eve.					
5. Detail any incidents of collateral intruintrusions occuring.	usion and the likelihood of any further	incidents of collateral					
Γ							
6. Give details of any confidential infor confidential information.	mation acquired or accessed and the	likelihood of acquiring					

	Unique Refere	nce Number	
7. Applicant's Details			
Name (Print)		Tel No	
Grade/Rank		Date	
Signature			
o.g.i.aca. c	<u> </u>		
8. Review Officer's Comments, in	ncluding whether or not the	ne directed survei	illance should continue.
9. Authorising Officer's Stateme	nt.		
I, [insert name], hereby agree that not] continue [until its next review/r			n as detailed above [should/should
Name (Print)		. Grade / Rank	
Signature		Date	
10 Date of payt review			

Unique Reference Number	Unia	ue R	eferenc	e Nun	nber
--------------------------------	------	------	---------	-------	------

Medway Council, Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham, Kent, ME4 4TR

MEDWAY COUNCIL Part II of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 Renewal of a Directed Surveillance Authorisation

(Please attach the original authorisation)

Public Authority

(including full address)			
Name of Applicant		Unit/Branch / Division	
Full Address			
Contact Details			
Investigation/Operation			
Name (if applicable)			
Renewal Number			
Details of renewal:			
1. Renewal numbers and da	I	vals.	
Renewal Number	Date		

	Unique Reference Number	
2. Detail any significant changes to the info the time of the renewal.	rmation as listed in the original authori	sation as it applies at
2. Detail the management it is management.	and in the state of a surrection of	
3. Detail the reasons why it is necessary to o	continue with the directed surveillance.	
4. Detail why the directed surveillance is sti	II proportionate to what it seeks to achie	eve.
5. Indicate the content and value to the invested surveillance.	restigation or operation of the informat	ion so far obtained by
6. Give details of the results of the regular r	eviews of the investigation or operation	

		Unique Re	ference Number		
7. Applicant's Details					
Name (Print)			Tel No		
Grade/Rank			Date		
Signature					
8. Authorising Officer's Commen	ts. <u>This box</u>	<u>c must be co</u>	<u>mpleted.</u>		
9. Authorising Officer's Statemen	nt.				
I, [insert name], hereby authorise the of this authorisation will last for 3 me				on as de	tailed above. The renewal
This authorisation will be reviewed fr	equently to a	assess the nee	d for the authorisati	on to cor	ntinue.
Name (Print)			Grade / Rank		
Name (Finit)			Glaue / Kalik		
Signature			Date		
Renewal From: Time:			Date:		
Date of first review.					

Date of subsequent reviews of this authorisation.

MEDWAY COUNCIL Part II of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000

Cancellation of a Directed Surveillance authorisation

Public Authority (including full address)	Medway Council, Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham, Kent, ME4 4TR				
Name of Applicant	Unit/Branch / Division				
Full Address					
Contact Details					
Investigation/Operation Name (if applicable)					
Details of cancellation:					
1. Explain the reason(s) for	the cancellation of the authorisation:				

2. Explain the value of survei	llance in	the operation:			
3. Authorising officer's stater	nent.				
I, [insert name], hereby author above.	ise the ca	ancellation of the o	directed surveillance	e investiga	ation/operation as detailed
Name (Print)			Grad	de	
			····		
Signature			Date	e	
4. Time and Date of when the	authoris	sing officer instru	cted the surveilla	nce to ce	ase.
Date:			Time:		
5. Authorisation cancelled.		Date:		Time:	

Unique Reference Number

List of officers requiring RIPA training

Directorate	Service Area	Job Title	Person	Training attended (date)
BSD	Audit and Fraud	Head of Internal Audit and Fraud Shared Service	James Larkin	
BSD	Audit and Fraud	Counter Fraud Manager	Nikki Ashby	
BSD	Audit and Fraud	Counter Fraud Officer	Jordan White	
BSD	Audit and Fraud	Counter Fraud Officer	Matthew Openshaw	
BSD	Audit and Fraud	Counter Fraud Intelligence Analyst	Cathryn Tateson	
BSD	Audit and Fraud	Counter Fraud Intelligence Analyst	Melissa Sams	
BSD	Revenue & Benefits	Corporate Debt Manager	Karen Powell	
BSD	Revenue & Benefits	Revenues Manager	lan Johnson	
BSD	Revenue & Benefits	Benefits Manager	Gemma Gilley	
RCE	Business Change	Smart City Delivery Manager (CCTV Single Point of Contact)	Matt Pinder	
RCE	Frontline Regulatory Services	Environmental Health Team Leader	David Brown	
RCE	Frontline Regulatory Services	Senior Street Scene Enforcement Officer	Tony Lee	
RCE	Frontline Regulatory Services	Environmental Enforcement Officer	David Hughes	
RCE	Frontline, Regulatory Services	Environmental Enforcement Officer	Mark McCree	
RCE	Frontline Regulatory Services	Team Leader	Sarah Foster	
RCE	Frontline, Regulatory Services	Environment Protection Officer	Rochelle Roberts	
RCE	Frontline Regulatory Services	Community Safety Team Leader	Trisha Rooks	
RCE		Head of Culture & Libraries	Paul Cowell	
RCE	Planning	Senior Planner	Carly Stoddart	
RCE	Planning	Senior Enforcement Assistant	Alison Munck	

RCE	Planning	Enforcement Officer	Lorraine Crane	
RCE	Planning	Planning Enforcement Assistant	Amy Shardlow	