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**Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000  
Bi-Annual Performance Report June 2019 - December 2019**

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**Report of the City Barrister and Head of Standards**

**1. Purpose of the Report**

The report advises on the performance of The Council in authorising Regulatory Investigation Powers Act (RIPA) applications, from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019.

**2. Summary**

2.1 The Council applied for 0 Directed Surveillance Authorisation and 0 Communications Data Authorisations in the period above.

**3. Recommendations**

The Committee is recommended to:

3.1 Receive the Report and note its contents.

3.2 Make any recommendations or comments it sees fit either to the Executive or to the City Barrister and Head of Standards.

**4 Report**

4.1 The Council has applied for 0 Directed Surveillance Authorisation and 0 Communications Data Authorisations in the second half of 2019.

4.2 The Council has completed and submitted its annual return to the Investigatory Powers Commissioner's Office showing a nil return for Directed Surveillance Authorisations in 2019.

**5. Financial, Legal Implications**

5.1 Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report, although the Council could incur legal costs should procedures not be correctly followed – Colin Sharpe (Head of Finance) ext. 37 4081.

## 5.2 Legal Implications

There are no legal implications arising directly from this report, although the Council could incur legal costs should procedures not be correctly followed – Kamal Adataia (City Barrister and Head of Standards) ext. 37 1402.

## 6. Other Implications

OTHER IMPLICATIONS	YES/NO	Paragraph References Within Supporting Information
Equal Opportunities	No	
Policy	No	
Sustainable and Environmental	No	
Climate Change	No	
Crime and Disorder	No	
Human Rights Act	Yes	HRA Article 8 must be considered for all applications
Elderly/People on Low Income	No	
Risk Management	No	

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25<sup>th</sup> March 2020