

Meeting:	Council
Date:	Wednesday 28 November 2001
Subject:	Nominated Authorised Officers Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000
Report of:	Councillor Tunwell on behalf of the Standards Committee.
<p>The Council is asked to consider the Standards Committee minute and resolution from the meeting held on 30 October 2001. These are set out below.</p> <p>A copy of the report was circulated to all Members with the Standards Committee agenda (item 6) to which reference should be made. Further copies are available on request – please see end of this report.</p>	
<p><u>The Council is recommended to:-</u></p> <p>Agree the amendment to the Council's Scheme of Delegation at paragraph 3.16 as recommended by the Standards Committee.</p>	
<p>Minute Extract</p> <p>STANDARDS COMMITTEE – 30 October 2001</p>	

*2.	<p>NOMINATED AUTHORISED OFFICERS REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000. The Committee considered the report of the Director of Planning and Strategy regarding the requirement under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 that before certain covert surveillance operations are undertaken, authorisation in writing must be obtained by a nominated authorised officer. A failure to obtain authority would render the Council liable to action under article 8 of the Human Rights Act. Approval was now sought for the delegation of the power to authorised officers under the Act and an amendment to the scheme of Delegation.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That Council be recommended to approve that Paragraph 3.16 in the scheme of Delegation of Powers to Officers be amended to read as follows:-</p> <p>"Authorise officers to enter premises, <u>to undertake directed covert surveillance and to use covert human intelligence sources</u> in pursuance of a statutory function of the Council"</p>	
<p>For a copy of the report please contact Democratic Services at the Town Hall, Eastbourne, BN21 4UG. Tel. (01323) 415022.</p> <p>E.Mail councillors@eastbourne.gov.uk</p> <p>For further information please contact Tim Cookson, Head of Planning the 68 Grove Road, Eastbourne. Tel. (01323) 415249 (or internally on extension 5249.</p>		

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