

## APPENDIX 1 - SUMMARY OF QUARTER 1 RIPA AUTHORISATIONS

CS0001	Summary information
Service area:	Community Safety
URN granted:	20 May 2011
Application on correct form?	Yes
Date of gatekeeper clearance:	This matter went direct to the authorising officer
Date of authorisation:	4 July 2011
Expiry date and time:	3 October 2011
Scheduled review date(s):	1 August 2011, 5 September 2011
Dates of reviews:	1 August 2011, 5 September 2011
Cancellation:	30 September 2011
Total time open:	89 Days
Type of covert investigation:	Directed surveillance
Subject matter of investigation:	Touting in the Brick Lane area
Necessity:	Touting continues in the Brick Lane, with potential offences contrary to section 136(1) of the Licensing Act 2003, section 237 of the Local Government Act 1972, regulations 9 and 11 of the Consumer Protection From Unfair Trading Regulations 2008. The associated anti-social behaviour affects residents and others in the Brick Lane area. The trading malpractices affect consumers and businesses that do not use touts.
Proportionality:	Other less intrusive investigative means were tried, including: prosecution of touts; a letter sent to restaurants warning them of the criminal consequences of touting; publicity of anti-touting enforcement; and overt walk-throughs. Evidence obtained through overt means (ie without recording) has been successfully challenged as unreliable.
Collateral intrusion:	Visual images would be recorded of passers-by and restaurant customers. A tape would be prepared of highlights and any remaining material kept under seal to be made available in criminal proceedings in accordance with the Criminal Procedure Rules.
Outcome:	Breaches were identified in relation to four businesses. Some licence reviews were triggered and further enforcement action is being considered.

## APPENDIX 2 - SUMMARY OF QUARTER 2 RIPA AUTHORISATIONS

CS0002	Summary information
Service area:	Community Safety
URN granted:	27 July 2011
Application on correct form?	Yes
Date of gatekeeper clearance:	This matter went direct to the authorising officer
Date of authorisation:	29 July 2011
Expiry date and time:	28 October 2011
Scheduled review date(s):	26 August 2011
Dates of reviews:	26 August 2011
Cancellation:	13 September 2011 (However, the authorising officer instructed orally that the surveillance should cease on 12 September 2011 at 1700)
Total time open:	46 Days
Type of covert investigation:	Directed surveillance
Subject matter of investigation:	Homophobic hate crime and criminal damage in a housing property
Necessity:	Less intrusive investigation failed to identify the perpetrator. Homophobic graffiti causing harassment, alarm and distress to residents and visitors at the property. One resident felt targeted and notified a desire to move.
Proportionality:	There were potential offences under: section 1 of the Criminal Damage Act 1971 (graffiti); and section 4 of the Public Order Act 1986 (causing harassment, alarm or distress). Other less intrusive investigative means were tried, including: a letter to the block requesting information; a request for extra police patrols; a block "door knock" requesting information. Residents reported feeling intimidated, vulnerable and fearful. There was a threat to community cohesion as some residents felt they might be blamed. There were concerns about escalation of the situation.
Collateral intrusion:	The cameras were sited in communal areas and there was thus a risk of collateral intrusion. The cameras were placed so as not to view inside any private dwelling. The investigating officer undertook to delete any recording unrelated to the offences.
Outcome:	The perpetrator was identified and information provided to the police.

