Report to Corporate Governance & Standards Committee on 2015 Compliance

Appendix 1

Table 1 - Freedom of Information (FOI) and Environmental Information Regulations (EIRs) during 2015 in comparison to 2014.

	2014	2015	% +/- over prev.	Comments
			year	
Number of formal requests	848	672	-20%	Since 2005, this was the first decrease in the annual number of requests received
Performance (% of requests dealt with within statutory 20 working days)	69%	81%	+17%	Performance did not meet the Information Commissioner's minimum compliance threshold of 85 per cent.
Number of known referrals to the ICO	9	5	-44%	FER0567827 (Our reference 1865): ICO received appeal but did not contact us again in relation to the investigation FS50580755 (Our reference: 2095): ICO closed the case and did not proceed to Decision Notice FER0594317 (Our reference: 2540): Decision in Council's favour. However, at the time of writing the applicant had appealed to the First Tier Tribunal (FTT) FER0605501 (Our reference: 2679) Decision: Council ordered to release the withheld information. The Council has appealed to the FTT in respect of some of the information FER0611301 (Our reference: 2809) Decision in the Council's favour.

Table 2 - the number of requests received by each directorate during 2015

	TOTAL Number of Requests	2015 Late Responses	% On time
	2015		
Directorate	2015		
Chief Internal Auditor	4	2	50
Corporate Services (Democratic,	60	6	90
Electoral, HR, Legal, Policy and			
Partnership, PR and Marketing,			
Web programme)			
Development	72	7	90
Community Services	213	60	72
Environment	89	21	67
Resources	280	21	89
Management Team	9	1	89

Table 3 - The Council's performance in relation to data protection and privacy during 2015 in comparison to 2014

	2014	2015	%+/(-) over 2014
Number of Subject Access Requests:	16	12	-25%
Percentage of requests resolved within 40 days	46%	66%	+44%
Number of these known to have been appealed to the ICO and investigated	0	0	0
Number of security and or confidentiality breach allegations reported to the Information Rights Officer under the information risk incident report procedure	9*	10	+10%
Number of the above, which the Council reported to the ICO	2	0	Decrease

Table 4 – Summary of information risk incidents in 2015

Ref	Summary of incident	Cat	Outcome/Recommendations
IRB38	System or process: iNovem Planning Consultation Database. Date: February 2015 Information Asset Owner: Director of Development Information Asset Administrator: Principal Policy Officer A resident complained that they had received an unwanted communication about community climate change. The responsible officer had created the mailing list from the planning consultation database	0	This was a low risk incident but did highlight that the iNovem database was not managed according to documented local working procedures. The Principal Policy Officer agreed to produce local working procedures for the iNovem Consultation system to ensure any re use of the mailing list complied with the data protection principles.
IRB39	System or process: Council Tax Benefits process Date: March 2015 Information Asset Owner: Director of Resources Information Asset Administrator: Council Tax Manager A resident received a Local Council Tax Support letter relating to someone else with their Housing Benefit Letter.	1	This was a confirmed information risk incident, which most likely occurred during the posting stage. The investigation of this incident and actions were incorporated with a system review arising from further incidents (IRB41 and IRB43)
IRB40	System or process: Planning applications Date: April 2015 Information Asset Owner: Director of Development Complainant alleged that objectors' email addresses had been published on the Council's website	0	Unconfirmed. No evidence of the allegation was found and the complainant did not respond to a request for a link to the web page in question.

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IRB41	System or process: Benefits and Rents Notifications matching process Date: June 2015 Information Asset Owner: Director of Resources	1	This was a confirmed risk incident. The Council Tax Manager carried out a full review of processes following the incidents IRB39, IRB41 and IRB43.
	Information Asset Administrator: Council Tax Manager		
	Resident contacted the Council because she had received a Housing Benefit award notice relating to another resident together with her own.		
IRB42	System or process: "Follow Me" printing on the Multi-Functional Devices (MFD).	1	This was a confirmed risk incident that had potential to be more serious. The reason it was
	Information Asset Owner:		assessed as low level is because it was contained within the Council
	ICT Manager		and no external disclosure took
	Date: July 2016		place.
	Information Asset Administrator: not established at time of the incident but subsequently agreed to be the ICT Customer and Technical Support Manager		Responsibility for the MFDs had not been allocated and therefore no risk assessment had been carried out during the procurement and installation
	An officer discovered a bundle of documents that had been printed on their local MFD. There were		The cause of the problem was a floating IP address – a technical oversight when the MFDs were set up for use, which was subsequently corrected.
	around 100 pages from various services and a substantial amount of the information was sensitive personal data. It transpired that printing initiated on Electra (near Revenues and Housing, New Millmead) was being produced on Scorpion (near Asset		Staff instructions for reporting printing problems and deleting print jobs were produced and posted at all MFD sites
	Management, Old Millmead). The officers using Electra had assumed there was a fault with that MFD as the printing had disappeared from their control screen and so they resent their documents and picked them up from an alternative MFD.		

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	However, the original printing had been produced by Scorpion and was therefore in an insecure environment for several days until discovery.		
IRB43	System/Process: Council Tax Support	1	Outcome of review of processes affected by IRB39, IRB41 and IRB43
	Information Asset Owner: Director of Resources Information Asset Administrator: Council Tax Manager Date: July 2015 A resident reported that she had received a Local Council Tax Support notification intended for someone else included in her own notification and returned the documents to the Council.		Housing Benefit and LCTS Notification Procedures Matched bills and notifications are now presented to Reprographics in a revised format and crosschecked. The revised process was reviewed after two months and no further incidents reported. Auto matching using bar codes was under consideration as was use of an external supplier to print.
IRB44	System/Process: Staff overtime/ email Information Asset Owner: Director of Corporate Services, Director of Resources Information Asset Administrator: Acting HR and Performance Manager, ICT Manager Date: August 2015 An email containing details of an officer's overtime payments was emailed from Street Cleaning to HR with an unrelated officer courtesy copied in error. No sensitive information was involved.	0	This was human error, which arose due to autocomplete being activated in Outlook. I have previously recommended a corporate switch-off of auto complete.

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IRB45	System/Process: Occupational Health Contract Information Asset Owner: Director of Corporate Services Information Asset Administrator: Head of HR & Business Improvement Date: August 2015 A member of staff reported that they had found a confidential HR email on their printer. The email related to the Occupational Health Contract	0	No evidence that personal information was involved
IRB46	System/Process: MFDs Information Asset Owner: Director of Resources Information Asset Administrator: Not established at time of incident Date: October 2015 Five documents containing personal information left on Storm printer	1	Delayed printing was the issue due to the document settings. The printer displayed an error message but produced the printing later on after the officer had left the vicinity. Larger staff guidance posters displayed at MFD sites and incorporated into training programme
IRB47	System/Process: Debtors Information Asset Owner: Director of Corporate Services Information Asset Administrator: Head of Financial Services Date: December 2015 Debtors routed reminder letters and copy invoices to a different printer than normal and a member of staff from another service based near the location of the printer picked them up. This member of staff had no business 'need to know'.	0	Low level incident (near miss rather than breach) No sensitive or personal information was involved but due to the potential for a repeat incident involving sensitive information, the Head of Financial Service carried out a risk assessment and reviewed local working procedures.

Cat (category)

- 0 near miss
- 1 Locally managed incident
- 2 (and above) requires report to the Information Commissioner's Office.