

## 2019/20 Counter Fraud Annual Report

<b>Committee name</b>	Audit Committee
<b>Officer reporting</b>	Muir Laurie, Deputy Director of Exchequer Services & Business Assurance
<b>Papers with report</b>	2019/20 Counter Fraud Annual Report
<b>Ward</b>	All

### HEADLINES

The attached report presents the Audit Committee with an overview of all Counter Fraud work carried out in relation to 2019/20 and assurance in this respect. It also provides an opportunity for the Deputy Director of Exchequer Services & Business Assurance to highlight to the Audit Committee any significant Counter Fraud issues that have arisen which they need to be aware of. Further, the report enables the Audit Committee to hold the Deputy Director of Exchequer Services & Business Assurance to account on delivery of the Counter Fraud Strategic Plan and facilitates in holding management to account for managing issues identified during the course of the Business Assurance Counter Fraud Team activity.

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

**That the Audit Committee:**

- 1. Notes the Counter Fraud Annual Report for 2019/20; and**
- 2. Suggests any comments/amendments.**

### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Business Assurance Counter Fraud Team supports the Council in meeting its statutory responsibility under section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 for the prevention and detection of fraud and corruption. The work of the team underpins the Council's commitment to a zero tolerance approach to fraud, bribery, corruption and other irregularities, including any money laundering activity.

### BACKGROUND PAPERS

See attached report.