**Counter-Fraud for data transparency**

S43 of the Local Government Transparency Code 2014 requires local authorities to publish information about their counter fraud work.

**Number of occasions powers were used under the Prevention of Social Housing Fraud (Power to Require Information) (England) Regulations 2014, or similar powers**

* Internal Audit Not used
* Revenues Not used
* Benefits Not Used
* Housing Not used

**Total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of employees undertaking investigations and prosecutions of fraud**

* Internal Audit Not used
* Council Tax Support 0.3 FTE Fraud Investigator
* Head of Legal Services Authorising prosecutions (0.01 FTE)

**Total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of professionally accredited counter fraud specialists**

* Internal Audit None
* Council Tax Support 0.4 FTE
* Housing None

**Total spent by the authority on the investigation and prosecution of fraud**

* Revenues c. £5k (Review of NFI reports and Council Tax Single Person Review)

* Council Tax Support c. £23k (staff time and legal costs)
* Legal Services c. £2,000 ( authorisation of prosecutions)

**Total number of fraud cases investigated**

The figures below are for the period 1/4/2017 to 31/3/2018

* Revenues

From the Council Tax Single Person Discount reviewed resulted in 609 in having their Council Tax notices altered - however, these were not formal ‘fraud’ investigations.

* Council Tax Support 7

* Legal Services 3 (Sanctions approved)