AUDIT & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE Agenda Item 9

27TH SEPTEMBER 2012

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES FRAUD AND CORRUPTION UPDATE REPORT

EXEMPT INFORMATION

None

PURPOSE

To provide Members with an update of Counter Fraud work completed to date during the financial year 2012/13.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee endorses:

- 1 The attached updated Counter Fraud Work Plan
- 2 The Fraud Risk Register

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At its meeting of the 31st May 2012, this Committee endorsed the Counter Fraud and Corruption Policy Statement, Strategy and Guidance Notes which included a specific Internal Audit Counter Fraud Work Plan. As part of the strategy, progress against the plan is to be reported to this committee on a regular basis. The updated work plan showing progress to date is shown in **Appendix 1**.

The Fraud Risk register is reviewed quarterly and the latest version is attached as **Appendix 2**. There are no significant fraud risks to the Authority.

Work is still progressing with data matches identified through the National Fraud Initiative (NFI) in the data matching exercise completed in 2010. A data download is due to be completed for 2012 with results being available for investigation in early 2013.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

None

LEGAL/RISK IMPLICATIONS BACKGROUND

None

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

None

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 Internal Audit Counter Fraud Work Plan 2012/13

Appendix 2 Fraud Risk Register