Audit Committee

Item No.

Report title:	Counter Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Annual Report 2017-18
Date of meeting:	31 July 2018
Responsible Chief Officer:	Chief Legal Officer.

Strategic impact

It is the role of the Audit Committee to have oversight of the anti-fraud and corruption arrangements of the Council including the strategy, policies and any associated guidance.

The Audit Committee also reviews, considers, approves and monitors the strategy and considers the adequacy and effectiveness of the arrangements for anti-fraud, bribery and corruption.

Executive summary

The 2017/18 NCC Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Policy, Strategy and Activity Plan was agreed by the former Chief Legal Officer and approved by the Audit Committee in September 2017.

At Appendix A is an annual report in respect of the counter fraud activity undertaken by NAS during the reporting period 1 July 2017 – 31 March 2018.

The purpose of the annual report is to provide an annual summary against the criteria set out in the NCC Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Operational Strategy (v2017) (The Strategy), based upon the work undertaken during the reporting period in accordance with the agreed activity plan.

Key messages are:

- Overall there has been satisfactory progress with the activity plan for the 2017-18 year to support the Council's strategy for this topic. There are sixteen green rated criteria in the plan, three untested at this stage and four amber rated criteria.
- There have been a moderate number of cases requiring consideration and satisfactory outcomes have been achieved for all of those that required a formal investigation.
- The scope of the potential losses to fraud/error is calculated at £20,160 of which £20,160 has been or will be recovered.

Recommendations:

Committee Members are asked to:

 Note the content of the Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Annual Report 2017-18 (Appendix A)

1. Introduction

Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Annual Report 2017-18

1.1. See Appendix A

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