

Audit Committee

Item No.

Report title:	Counter Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Audit Committee Annual Report
Date of meeting:	18 April 2019
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.	

Executive summary

The 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 April 2018 – 31 March 2019.

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:

Overall there has been satisfactory progress with the activity plan for the 2018-19 year to support the Council's strategy for this topic. There are fourteen green rated items in the plan, three untested at this stage and six Amber rated items.

There have been a moderate number of cases requiring investigation and satisfactory outcomes have been achieved for all of those that required a formal investigation. There are no trends at present.

The scope of the potential losses to fraud/error is calculated at £53,100. All options for recovery are being progressed in respect of losses accrued. Further details can be found in section five of the report.

Recommendation:

Committee Members are asked to consider the key messages and agree the content of the Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Audit Committee Annual Report (**Appendix A**)

1. Introduction

Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Annual Report

1.1. See Appendix A

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