

**Counter Fraud Strategy Action Plan**  
**as at October 2017 (presented and agreed at Corporate Governance Group)**

Action	Objective	Lead Officer(s)	Timeframe for implementation	Update (subject to quarterly review)
A01: To incorporate a specific, annual, documented assessment of fraud risks in the annual Audit Planning process.	To ensure the Council remains aware of its fraud risks and seeks proportionate assurance over the management of these risks.	Head of Internal Audit and Corporate Director	31 <sup>st</sup> January 2018	
A02: To review the Council's communications strategy following fraud investigations (both corporate and benefits).	To ensure the Council utilises this opportunity to act as a deterrent and to promote the Council's fraud strategy. To ensure the harm caused by frauds is clearly communicated.	Communications Manager	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2018	
A03: To raise awareness of the Leicester City fraud partnership arrangement and ensure Council staff are making suitable referrals and utilising this source of advice and guidance.  To arrange a session with relevant staff (customer services/housing) and invite Leicester City representative to discuss the arrangements with these officers.	To maximise use of fraud resources and benefit from joint working.	Revenue Business Partner	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2017	
A04: To include consideration of fraud risks in the planned review of the Council's corporate risk management strategy (can be informed by A01 above).	To ensure management of fraud risks is embedded corporately.	Corporate Director	September 2018	

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A05: To specifically include assessment of counter fraud and corruption controls in the next AGS (informed by work of Internal Audit and annual assessment) and to reflect the outcomes of this assessment.	To demonstrate the robust arrangement in place at the Council to detect, prevent and investigate fraud.	Corporate Director	June 2018	