

1. **Mandatory information**

	Requested Information	Response
1	Number of occasions used powers under the Prevention of Social Housing Fraud (Power to Require Information) (England) Regulations 201432, or similar powers33	None (district matter)
2	Total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of employees undertaking investigations and prosecutions of fraud	0.46 FTE - Note 1
3	Total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of professionally accredited counter fraud specialists	4 – Note 1
4	Total amount spent by the authority on the investigation and prosecution of fraud	119 days - Note 2
5	Total number of fraud cases investigated	17

Note 1 - The authority's counter fraud investigation is carried out as part of a shared service, which has 4 members of staff working on fraud who are shared across several authorities; therefore we have pro-rata's the days spent on fraud as 46% of an FTE

Note 2 – The total days spent on investigations by Internal Audit

2. **Additional recommended information**

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1	Total number of cases of irregularity investigated	17
2a	Total number of occasions on which fraud was identified	2 – Note 3
b	Total number of occasions on which irregularity was identified	3 – Note 3

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3a	Total monetary value of the fraud that was detected	£35,705.99 – Note 4
b	Total monetary value of the irregularity that was detected	Approximately £10,000
4a	Total monetary value of the fraud that was recovered	£23,591
b	Total monetary value of the irregularity that was recovered	0

Note 3 - For the purposes of the return, we have only counted each fraud/irregularity as being identified once, where investigations or prosecutions crossed financial years. Therefore a monetary fraud may have been detected in a previous year with recovery in a subsequent year; or investigation work may have started on a possible fraud which has not progressed to the point where a monetary value can be given before the end of the year.

Note 4 – Please note that while a monetary value of detected fraud/irregularity is given, depending on the type of fraud/irregularity, in some cases this may be a nominal value and therefore non-recoverable, for instance identity fraud.

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