

1. **Mandatory information**

	<b>Requested Information</b>	<b>Response</b>
1	Number of occasions used powers under the Prevention of Social Housing Fraud (Power to Require Information) (England) Regulations 201432, or similar powers <sup>33</sup>	None (district matter)
2	Total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of employees undertaking investigations and prosecutions of fraud	0.91 FTE - <b>Note 1</b>
3	Total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of professionally accredited counter fraud specialists	4 – <b>Note 1</b>
4	Total amount spent by the authority on the investigation and prosecution of fraud	237 days - <b>Note 2</b>
5	Total number of fraud cases investigated	48

**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 91% of an FTE

**Note 2** – the total days spent on investigations by Internal Audit

2. **Additional recommended information**

	<b>Requested Information</b>	<b>Response</b>
1	Total number of cases of irregularity investigated	48
2a	Total number of occasions on which fraud was identified	1 – <b>Note 3</b>
b	Total number of occasions on which irregularity was identified	41 – <b>Note 3</b>

	<b>Requested Information</b>	<b>Response</b>
3a	Total monetary value of the fraud that was detected,	Unconfirmed – investigation still underway at the time of producing this return.
b	Total monetary value of the irregularity that was detected	Unconfirmed – awaiting final figures.
4a	Total monetary value of the fraud that was recovered	Nil to date – criminal case not yet held.
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.

### **Data quality**

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