

**Counter Fraud Plan 2017/18**

**Purpose of the Report**

1. This report presents the Committee with the Counter Fraud Plan for 2017/18. It particular it provides the background to the plan and an analysis of the counter fraud work to be carried out during 2017/18.

**Executive Summary**

2. Following a service re-organisation in late 2016/17, SWAP have taken over responsibility for delivering a counter fraud programme for the Council. This is therefore the first Counter Fraud Plan from SWAP.
3. Fraud continues to be a major issue for local authorities, particularly in an era of cybercrime and increased data sharing.
4. This plan is split between:
  - proactive and preventative;
  - audit reviews (11); and
  - reactive.

**Proposal(s)**

5. Members are asked to note the Counter Fraud Plan for 2017/18.

**Reason for Proposal**

6. To ensure robust counter fraud arrangements are in place.

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Appendices: A – SWAP Counter Fraud Plan 2017/18