

Counter Fraud Update Report September 2023

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to confirmation by the Committee before taking effect.

Recommendation: that the Committee: -

- i. Note the update in connection with Fraud Prevention and Detection in DCC.

The attached report sets out the Counter Fraud work being undertaken on behalf of and by Devon County Council and supports the Councils ongoing commitment as outlined in its Anti-Fraud Bribery and Corruption Policy / Strategy and Response Plan.

The report is aimed at informing members of ongoing activity in the fight against fraud, to protect the public purse and retain public confidence that the Council recognises the harm that fraud can cause in the community and that it is protecting itself and its residents from fraud.

Strategic Plan: There are no Strategic Plan issues associated with this report.

Financial Considerations: There are no direct Financial Considerations issues associated with this report.

Legal Consideration: There are no specific Legal Considerations or issues associated with this report.

Environmental Impact Considerations (Including Climate Change): There are no specific Environmental Impact Considerations or issues associated with this report.

Equality Considerations: There are no specific Equality Considerations associated with this report

Risk Management Considerations: This report supports the Councils Risk Management process and is integral to an overall integrated assurance approach.

Public Health Impact: There is no specific impact on Public Health in connection with this report.

Summary/Conclusions/Reasons for Recommendations: Reasons for noting the report, include showing compliance with Anti-Fraud Bribery and Corruption Policy, and recognised best practice in line with good Governance

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