

Subject:	Ernst & Young - Audit Commission Protecting the Public Purse – Fraud Briefing 2014		
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Ward(s) affected:	All		

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1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 Fraud briefings have been developed by the Audit Commission based on data submitted annually by councils. They are designed to be delivered in conjunction with the *Protecting the Public Purse 2014* report, also published by the Audit Commission.
- 1.2 The purpose of this fraud briefing is:
- to provide an information source to support councillors in their consideration of fraud detection activities at the Council, compared to similar local authorities;
 - to support and encourage discussion of national and local fraud risks; and
 - to provide an opportunity to review the Council's current counter fraud approach, strategy and priorities - in particular, to support local fraud risk management and help ensure local priorities are reflected as part of a proportionate response to fraud.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 To consider the 2014 fraud briefing presentation and ask questions as necessary.

