

Local Government Transparency Code

Counter Fraud Information 2022/23

This information relates to all fraud investigations including employee, social housing and council tax relief / discounts.

Number of occasions powers under the Prevention of Social Housing Fraud (Power to Require Information) (England) Regulations 201432, or similar powers, used.

2 Request made under the Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Detection of Fraud and Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2013.

Total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of employees undertaking investigations and prosecutions of fraud.

Absolute	15
FTE	14.5

Employees as @ 31st March 2023.

Total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of professionally accredited counter fraud specialists.

Absolute	14
FTE	13.5

Employees as @ 31st March 2023 who held the PINS (Professionalism in Security), CCIP (CIPFA Certificate in Investigative Practice) or ACFS (Accredited Counter Fraud Specialist) qualification.

Total amount spent by the authority on the investigation and prosecution of fraud.

£761,000 total direct salary costs (rounded to nearest £1,000).

Total number of fraud cases investigated.

2156 investigations across all sources and types.