

Fraud Investigation Activity

1. *The number of occasions that the Council has used powers under the Prevention of Social Housing Fraud (Power to Require Information) (England) Regulations 2014 or similar powers:*

Category	2013/14	2014/15 *
Outturn	0	12

2. *The total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of employees undertaking investigations and prosecutions of fraud:*

Category	2013/14	2014/15 *
Absolute	4	3
FTE	4	3

3. *The total number (absolute and full time equivalent) of professionally accredited counter fraud specialists:*

Category	2013/14	2014/15 *
Absolute	4	5
FTE	4	4.8

4. *The total amount spent by the Authority on the investigation and prosecution of fraud:*

Category	2013/14	2014/15 *
Outturn	£303,357	£129,609

5. *The total number of fraud cases investigated:*

Category	2013/14	2014/15 *
Benefits/Council Tax Reduction	504	249
Housing/Tenancy	37	119
Parking	11	37
Other Investigations	8	7

*The 2014/15 data covers the part year from April 2014 to January 2015 (inclusive). Full year data for this period will be published in April 2015