

Appendix D – Quarterly report on Audit and Counter Fraud work

**INCOME AND SAVINGS ACROSS THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24**

Areas of savings	QUARTER ONE		QUARTER TWO		QUARTER THREE		QUARTER FOUR		YEAR TOTAL	
	Income	Savings	Income	Savings	Income	Savings	Income	Savings	Income	Savings
<b>Tenancy Housing</b>										
Recovery of council properties	0	0	0	£93,000.00	0	£186,000	0	£93,000	0	£372,000
Right To Buy value saved through intervention	0	£192,650.00	0	£96,325.00	0	£262,000	0	£866,400	0	£1,417,375
Housing intervention/fraud	0	0	0	£12,000.00	0	0	0	£12,000	0	£24,000
Rent in advance loan debt recovery	£2,673.43	0	£2,426.41	0	£2,799.22	0	£2,261.84	0	£10,160.90	
<b>Revenues</b>										
National Non Domestic Rates	0	0	£15,210.97	0	0	0	0	0	£15,210.97	0
Council Tax	£10,957.79	0	£5,398.04	0	£12,138.19	0	£12,741.02	0	£41,235.04	0
Value of ongoing Council Tax increase per week	0	£4,068.48	0	£4,296.64	0	£3,678.40	0	£4,380.48	0	£16,424.00
Council Tax Penalties	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>CTR &amp; Housing Benefit</b>										
Council Tax Reduction	£11,017.64	0	£5,297.69	0	£4,468.51	0	£5,411.29	0	£26,195.13	0
Council Tax Reduction weekly incorrect benefit	0	£9,412.80	0	£6,609.60	0	£3,965.76	0	£8,517.44	0	£28,505.60
Housing Benefit	£21,771.63	0	£37,199.95	0	£7,363.69	0	£26,499.26	0	£92,834.53	0
Housing Benefit weekly incorrect benefit	0	£11,992.64	0	£17,696.32	0	£5,495.68	0	£29,022.08	0	£64,206.75
Income from Administrative penalty collection	£100.57	0	£73.56	0	£47.57	0	0	0	£221.70	0
<b>National Fraud Initiative</b>										
Overpayments identified	£17,145.29	0	£10,809.08	0	£3,820.83	0	£28,974.51	0	£60,749.71	0
Weekly incorrect benefit identified	0	£19,751.42	0	£11,558.14	0	£8,193.28	0	£42,470.91	0	£81,973.75
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>£63,666.35</b>	<b>£237,875.34</b>	<b>£76,415.70</b>	<b>£241,485.70</b>	<b>£30,638.01</b>	<b>£469,333.12</b>	<b>£75,887.92</b>	<b>£1,055,790.91</b>	<b>£246,607.98</b>	<b>£2,004,485.07</b>
<b>Cost of Counter Fraud team</b>	<b>£28,918.02</b>		<b>£27,015.84</b>		<b>£36,601.65</b>		<b>£31,547.00</b>		<b>£2,251,093.05</b>	
<b>% total of income and savings</b>	<b>9.59%</b>		<b>8.50%</b>		<b>7.32%</b>		<b>2.79%</b>		<b>5.51%</b>	

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<b>Explanation of Savings Recorded</b>	
<b>Tenancy Housing</b>	
Recovery of council properties	Value of £93k per returned property based on NFI estimate
Right To Buy value saved through intervention	Value based on the discount saved for each withdrawn application (varies)
Housing intervention/fraud	Value based on an estimate of emergency placement costs £12k or removal from housing waiting list £3,400
<b>Revenues</b>	
National Non Domestic Rates	Value based on the outstanding liable bills now due following Counter-Fraud intervention
Council Tax	Value based on the outstanding liable bills now due following Counter-Fraud intervention
Value of ongoing Council Tax increase per week	Estimate of the amount saved based on a calculation of the length of undetected fraud - 32 weeks
Council Tax Penalties	Value of £70 or £280 penalty added to Council Tax Bill where discount/exemption fraud is found
<b>CTR &amp; Housing Benefit</b>	
Council Tax Reduction	Value based on the re-assessment of entitlement following Counter-Fraud intervention
Council Tax Reduction weekly incorrect benefit	Weekly incorrect benefit - estimate of the amount saved based on the length of undetected fraud - 32 weeks
Housing Benefit	Value based on the re-assessment of entitlement following Counter-Fraud intervention
Housing Benefit weekly incorrect benefit	Weekly incorrect benefit - estimate of the amount saved based on the length of undetected fraud - 32 weeks
Income from Administrative penalty collection	The amount collected from Administrative Penalties following Dep for Work and Pension investigation
<b>NFI</b>	
Overpayments identified	Value of any overpayments detected in this quarter
Weekly incorrect benefit identified	Weekly incorrect benefit - estimate of the amount saved based on the length of undetected fraud - 32 weeks