

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda
Item No.

Report of Corporate Director for Corporate Services
to
Audit Committee
on
14 January 2015

Report prepared by: BDO External Auditor

BDO: Protecting the Public Purse Fraud Briefing 2014, Southend on Sea Borough Council by the Audit Commission

Executive Councillor – Cllr Ron Woodley

A Part 1 Public Agenda Item

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To present the Audit Commission's Protecting the Public Purse Fraud Briefing 2014 to the Audit Committee.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **The Committee accepts the report 'Protecting the Public Purse Fraud Briefing 2014, Southend on Sea Borough Council' by the Audit Commission**

3. Background

- 3.1 The Audit Commission has produced a briefing as an information source to support councillors in considering their council's fraud detection activities and performance.

A senior representative of BDO (the appointed External Auditor to the Council) will present the key matters from this report to the Audit Committee and then respond to Members' questions.

4. Corporate Implications

- 4.1 Contribution to Council's Aims and Priorities
Audit work contributes to the delivery of all corporate Aims and Priorities.
- 4.2 Financial Implications
Report is for information only.
- 4.3 Legal Implications
None – for information only.

4.4 People and Property Implications

None

4.5 Consultation

N/A – report is for information only.

4.6 Equalities Impact Assessment

None

4.7 Risk Assessment

N/A

4.8 Value for Money

N/A

4.9 Community Safety Implications and Environmental Impact

None

5. Background Papers

None

**6. Attachment: BDO's Protecting the Public Purse Fraud Briefing 2014,
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