

Appendix 2: 2014/15 National Fraud Initiative Data Matches

Update - December 2015

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council has received a total of 5,775 matches to date as part of the National Fraud Initiative (NFI) 2014/15.

Background

The NFI issues matches with three different categories - High, Medium and Low - and within those categories highlights certain matches as "recommended".

Each report has guidance attached to it which advises that the report is filtered so the recommended matches are processed. As such, Southend-on-Sea Borough Council will normally **only process recommended matches on the high level reports**. However, some departments will process additional matches due to the nature of the report.

The summary table below lists the total number recommended matches for the high level reports and the number of recommended matches cleared.

If a department has processed additional matches, for example relating to deceased data, then additional matches will be classed as recommended.

Current Figures

- Southend-on-Sea Borough Council has a total of 1,684 recommended matches across 35 high level reports to be processed.
- 18 reports, comprising 788 high level recommended matches, have been fully processed and completed.
- 17 reports, comprising 896 high level recommended matches, are left to complete, with 43.4% of recommended matches left to view.

Notes

The following notes provide further explanation on the reports:

- Note 1: Further filters have been applied to these reports which have removed some high level recommend matches e.g. benefit claimants in receipt of a primary benefit as the Department for Work and Pensions would normally investigate those individuals.
- Note 2: 'Report not actioned' means that none of the data matches in the report have been reviewed at the time of reporting.
- Note 3: Indicates matches currently under investigation or awaiting response from an external body i.e. Department for Work and Pensions, Other Local Authorities or court hearings.
- Note 4: Unable to review matches in the foreseeable future due to staff resource issues.

| Report Name | Recommended Matches | Cleared Matches | Comments | Case Proven No. & (£) | Target Completion Dates |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Blue Badge | | | | | |
| Blue Badge Parking Permit to Blue Badge Parking Permit | 9 | 9 | 1 Data Error corrected. | | |
| Blue Badge Parking Permit to DWP Deceased | 220 | 220 | | | |
| Concessionary Travel Passes | | | | | |
| Concessionary Travel Passes to DWP Deceased | 471 | 471 | 1 Data Error corrected. | | |
| Creditors | | | | | |
| Duplicate creditors by address detail | 92 | | Note 2 | | |
| Duplicate creditors by bank account number | 24 | | Note 2 | | |
| Duplicate creditors by creditor name | 43 | | Note 2 | | |
| Duplicate creditors by creditor reference | 4 | | Note 2 | | |
| Duplicate records by amount and creditor reference | 331 | 329 | Note 3 | | |
| Duplicate records by invoice number and amount but different creditor reference and name | 7 | 7 | | | |

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| Duplicate records by name, invoice number and amount but different creditor reference | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Duplicate records by postcode, invoice amount but different creditor reference and invoice number and date | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Duplicate records by reference, amount and creditor reference | 11 | 11 | | | |
| VAT overpaid | 133 | 133 | | | |
| Housing Benefit Matches | | | | | |
| Housing Benefit Claimants to DWP Deceased | 62 | 62 | | | |
| Housing Benefit Claimants to Housing Benefit Claimants | 10 | 1 | Note 3 | | |
| Housing Benefit Claimants to Housing Tenants | 2 | | Note 2 | | |
| Housing Benefit Claimants to In-country Immigration | 8 | 5 | 3 matches under investigation. | | |
| Housing Benefit Claimants to Market Traders | 1 | | Note 2 | | |
| Housing Benefit Claimants to Payroll | 7 | | Note 2 | | |

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| Housing Benefit Claimants to Pensions | 24 | | Note 2 | | |
| Housing Benefit Claimants to Right to Buy | 1 | | Note 2 | | |
| Housing Benefit Claimants to Student Loans | 229 | | Note 2 | | |
| Housing Benefit Claimants to Taxi Drivers | 11 | | Note 2 | | |
| Payroll Matches | | | | | |
| Payroll to Creditors | 7 | | Note 2 | | |
| Payroll to Payroll | 3 | | Note 2 | | |
| Personal Budgets | | | | | |
| Personal Budgets to DWP Deceased | 9 | 9 | | | |
| Personal Budgets to Pensions | 34 | | Note 2 | | |
| Private Residential Care Homes | | | | | |
| Private Residential Care Homes to DWP Deceased | 28 | 28 | | | |

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|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Resident Parking Permits | | | | | |
| Resident Parking Permits to DWP Deceased | 17 | | Note 2 | | |
| Right to Buy | | | | | |
| Right to Buy to Housing Benefit Claimants | 6 | 6 | | | |
| Right to Buy to Right to Buy | 2 | 2 | | | |