

**Appendix 4 Counter Fraud & Investigation Directorate
Southend-on-Sea Borough Council Case Summary to 31st December 2015**

Case Status	Fraud Type				
	Revenues & Benefit	Housing Tenancy Fraud	Blue Badge	Other	Total

NB: Responsibility for investigating all Housing Benefit fraud transferred to the DWP on 2 November 2015. SBC no longer has any involvement in investigating benefit fraud.

Directorate Case Load					
Referrals Received (Between 1/4/15 – 31/1/16)	143	90	32	13	278
Passed to another agency**	63	0	0	0	63
No offences**	35	7	0	0	42
Under investigation**	26	35	9	8	78
Closed**	21	48	23	5	95

****These Figures represent the status of investigations conducted by the Directorate that commenced during 2015/16 but also those received in previous years but concluded in 2015/16.**

Outcomes Achieved					
Formal Caution	1	N/A	N/A	1	2
Administrative Penalty	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	4
Prosecution Action	12	5	1	3	13
Tenancy Property Recovered	N/A	48	N/A	N/A	48
Right to Buy Closed	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	3
Blue Badge Recovered	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	2
Warning Issues	N/A	N/A	23	0	23
Staff Dismissal	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	1
Fraud Prevention Saving	4	1	N/A	N/A	5

Value of Proven Fraud re Closed Investigations

Prosecution	Caution	Administrative Penalty	Other Fraud Savings
£600,736	£5,812	£9,133	£14,604
Right to Buy Fraud Savings	Tenancy Fraud Savings		TOTAL
£347,540	£864,000		£1,841,829