Fraud Investigation Summary 2023-24 for Q1 and Q2

Appendix 1

Authority	Waverley
Accumlative up to Quarter	2

Record of cases investigated in the period covering 01 April 2023 - September 2023

	Cases carried over from previous years	Referrals received since 1 April 2023	Cases Started	Cases closed	Still under investigation	Positive outcomes includes previous years cases	Properties retained by the Council	Properties Handed Back /Recovered	Housing / Homeless/RTB / Succession/Mutual Exchange/Shared ownership application withdrawn	Financial Value	Prosecutions	Other Sanctions
Number of Referrals from Members of the Public on Website	1	25	25	23	3	0		0				
Housing												
Social housing Fraud	8	6	6	7	7	3		3	Tenancy/ices Relinquished	279,000	0	
Housing Register Fraud	2	2	2	1	3	0		0	Housing Applications Rejected			
Homelessness Applications	0							0				
Right To Buy/Right To Acquire	4	7	7	9	2	0		0	Right to Buy stopped and/or Tenancy Relinquished			
Successions	1	1	1	1	1	0		0	No of Succession/s denied			
Sole to Joint Tenancy	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	Joint Tenancy Denied			
Recovered properties for others	0	1	1		1	U	U	U	Joint Tenancy Denied			
Council Tax Discount	U											
SPD & LCTRS (As result from Caseload above)					1	0						
Student Exemptions												
Disability					1							
Disability												
Council Tax Support (benefit)												
CT overpayment identified during cases above					İ							
Business rates												
NNDR												
HB overpayment identified during cases above												
Other (DFG)												
NFI exercise **										2,000		
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2023/24	17	42	42	42	17	3	0	3		£281,000.00		
2022/23 Year Total	17	70	70	69	15	12	1	10		£1,023,729.00		£4,166.42
2021/22 Year Total	11	121	131	116	17	15	5	5		£964,810.00		
2020/21 Year Total	11	58	67	56	11	13	7	6		£1,083,000.00		
2019/20 Year Total	18	65	83	73	11	3	0	6		£879,976.00		
2018/19 Year Total	18	54	72	55	17	8	3	4		£189,710.00		
2017/18 Year Total	21*	113	134	117	17	30	13	10		£733,930.00		
2016/17 Year Total	11	127	138	118	20*	32	13	12		£688,866.00		
							42	53	Accumulative over 7 years	£5,564,021.00		£4,166.42

Value of financial savings (NFI Cabinet Office savings 01 April 2021)

Tenancy Recovered (includes where successions not applicable and property available for new tenants) - £93,000

Housing/Homeless Application withdrawn - £3,240

Right To Buy/Right To Acquire withdrawn/terminated - £96,000 per application withdrawn re max RTB

Council Tax Discount - Annual value of discount cancelled multiplied by two years

Council Tax Support - weekly reduction multiplied by 21 weeks.

Business Rates - actual figure per case

Resources utilised to investigate - 1 full time officer, approx. £80,000 per year including legal costs etc (£20K per quarter)