

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Governance & Audit Committee

16th June 2023

Report of the Chief Accountant Technical & Governance/Head of Internal Audit – Diane Mulligan

Matters for Information

Wards Affected: All Wards

Revised Anti-Fraud & Corruption Strategy

1. Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is to provide members with a copy of the revised Anti-Fraud & Corruption Strategy.

2. Executive Summary

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council (the Council) has a zero tolerance approach to fraud and corruption. This policy outlines how the Council delivers an effective approach to managing the risk of fraud and corruption. The Council is committed to maintaining the highest ethical standards.

The revised Anti-Fraud & Corruption Strategy is attached to this report as appendix 1.

3. Background

The Council has a diverse workforce of approximately 6,300 staff and spends circa £450m per annum. The Council provides a wide range of services to its citizens both in-house and by commissioning services via public, private and third sector organisations.

In administering its responsibilities in relation to fraud, bribery and corruption whether from external parties or internally the Council is committed to an effective Anti-Fraud and Corruption strategy. This strategy is an important tool in ensuring that both members and staff are aware of their responsibility when it comes to tackling fraud and corruption. It also provides a clear pathway for members, staff and members of the public to report any suspicions of fraudulent or corrupt practices.

4. Financial Impacts

No implications.

5. Integrated Impact Assessment

There is no requirement to undertake an Integrated Impact Assessment as this report is for monitoring/information purposes.

6. Valley Communities Impacts

No implications.

7. Workforce Impacts

No implications.

8. Legal Impacts

No implications.

9. Risk Management Impacts

This revised strategy will enhance the risk management arrangements currently in place.

10. Consultation

There is no requirement for external consultation on this item.

11. Recommendation

That members note the content of the revised Anti-Fraud & Corruption Strategy.

12. Reason for proposed recommendation

To enable members to discharge their duty in respect of their oversight of internal audit.

12. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Anti-Fraud & Corruption Strategy

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