

## Audit and Governance Committee

**Date:** 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

**Agenda No:**

<b>Title of Report:</b>	Annual Report of the Counter Fraud Unit 2022/23
<b>Purpose of Report:</b>	To provide the Committee with an annual report on counter fraud activity.
<b>Recommendations:</b>	<p>It is recommended that the Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Notes the work and performance of the Counter Fraud Unit during 2022/23.</li> </ul>
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<b>Key Risks</b>	<p>An effective Counter Fraud Unit is a key part of the governance, risk management and internal control framework established by Gloucestershire County Council. The Counter Fraud Unit's work minimises the loss of the Council's resources due to fraud, bribery and corruption. It helps the Council to ensure that it has the maximum resources available with which to provide its services.</p>