

ANTI-FRAUD AND CORRUPTION POLICY

Relevant Portfolio Holder	Councillor John Fisher
Relevant Head of Service	Jayne Pickering, Executive Director Finance and Corporate Resources
Non-Key Decision	

1. SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS

To present to Executive the updated Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy for the Council.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 **The Executive Committee is asked to RECOMMEND that the Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy be approved.**

3. KEY ISSUE

3.1 Redditch Borough Council, like every Local Authority, has a duty to ensure that it safeguards the public money that they are responsible for. This policy provides a robust framework to ensure there are processes in place to identify and prevent fraud and corruption across the Council.

3.2 The Council expects the highest standards of conduct and integrity from all that have dealings with it including staff, members, contractors, volunteers and the public. It is committed to the elimination of fraud and corruption and to ensuring that all activities are conducted ethically, honestly and to the highest possible standard of openness and accountability so as to protect public safety and public money.

Legal Implications

3.3 This policy has been created with due regard to the CIPFA better Governance Forum's Red Book 2 'Managing the Risk of Fraud', the CIPFA 2014 Code of practice on managing the risk of fraud and corruption and the TEICCAFF Publication 'Protecting the English Public Purse'.

Service/Operational Implications

3.4 The identification and prevention of fraud and corruption will ensure that all services are provided within a secure and legal environment.

Customer / Equalities and Diversity Implications

3.5 Identification and prevention of fraud and corruption will ensure that customers have access to secure and effective services.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 4.1 Prevention of fraud and corruption provides mitigation against potential issues that may occur in financial and operational terms

5. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Corporate Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy

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