



## Counter Fraud Strategy update

**Committee**            Audit and Standards

**Date of meeting**    30 November 2018

**Date of report**     9 October 2018

### Report by Assistant Chief Executive

#### 1. Object of report

To ask members to approve the updated Counter Fraud Strategy.

#### 2. Background

SPT is an employer, service provider and purchaser of goods, services and works. As with other public sector organisations, the size and nature of services puts SPT at risk of loss due to fraud and corruption.

SPT is committed to the prevention, detection, investigation and reporting of fraud and corruption. SPT is also committed to recovering losses from fraud and taking action against those who perpetrate fraud or corruption.

The Counter Fraud Strategy was last updated by the Audit and Standards committee at its meeting on 20 June 2014 and is included in the governance manual.

#### 3. Outline of proposals

The Counter Fraud Strategy sets out the following:

- the Partnership's written rules;
- how we (the Partnership) expect employees to behave;
- preventing fraud and corruption;
- detecting and investigating fraud and corruption; and
- training and awareness.

The Counter Fraud Strategy incorporates the fraud response plan and whistleblowing policy. The updated Counter Fraud Strategy (shown as an attachment to this report) has been reviewed and enhanced to reflect recent organisational change and provides good practice guidance to all staff.

#### 4. Conclusions

SPT is committed to the prevention, detection, investigation and reporting of fraud and corruption. The updated Counter Fraud Strategy has been reviewed and enhanced to reflect recent organisational change and provides good practice guidance to all staff.

#### 5. Committee action

The committee is asked to approve the updated Counter Fraud Strategy.

#### 6. Consequences

Policy consequences	<i>None.</i>
Legal consequences	<i>None.</i>
Financial consequences	<i>None.</i>
Personnel consequences	<i>None.</i>
Social Inclusion consequences	<i>None.</i>
Risk consequences	<i>The Counter Fraud Strategy mitigates the risk of fraud and corruption.</i>

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