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Subject: **ANTI-FRAUD AND CORRUPTION
STRATEGY**
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Summary: This paper provides a summary of proposed amendments to the Council's Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy.

FOR DECISION

Introduction and Background

1. In April 2012 the Government launched "Fighting Fraud Locally: The Local Government Fraud Strategy". The strategy calls for a tougher approach to tackling fraud against local authorities and is organised around three themes of Acknowledge, Prevent and Pursue. A copy of the document is available on KNet on the counter fraud pages.
2. We have reviewed the Council's Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy in line with the themes and principles of the government strategy. The proposed revised Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy is attached at Appendix A for the Committee's review and agreement.
3. In summary the amendments include:
 - Commitment to the Fighting Fraud Locally strategy (*paragraph 1 of the strategy*).
 - The opportunity for KCC to instigate its own criminal proceedings (*paragraphs 17-29 of the fraud response plan- Annex 1 of the strategy*).

Recommendations

4. Members are asked to approve:
 - The revised Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy (**Appendix A**).

Paul Rock
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