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The CIPFA Counter Fraud Centre sits at the core of CIPFA’s strategy to support the public sector in detecting, preventing and recovering the losses caused by fraud, bribery and corruption.

We work closely with the Local Government Association (LGA), the National Crime Agency (NCA), Cabinet Office and National Audit Office (NAO). We also support and are active participants in industry bodies such as the Fighting Fraud and Corruption Locally (FFCL) Board, the Counter Fraud Professional Accreditation Board (CFPAB) and the Government Counter Fraud Profession’s cross-sector advisory group.

In addition, we lead on measuring and monitoring fraud, bribery and corruption activity across local government through the CIPFA Fraud and Corruption Tracker (CFaCT) survey. And in 2020, we’ll be embarking on a wider research project to explore organisational fraud risks and mitigation strategies.

When your organisation subscribes to the Counter Fraud Centre, you and your colleagues will immediately begin to benefit from this work.

Our activities mean we can act as a ‘knowledge broker’, bringing subscribers first-hand updates on best practice and developments in the public sector counter fraud landscape.

It also means we are able to represent your interests and concerns to the sector, which is why this year’s subscription includes new events and opportunities to engage and work with the Counter Fraud Centre team.

Becoming a subscriber is not only the most cost-effective way to access resources and expertise from CIPFA and beyond; it will also enable you and your colleagues to help define the shape of the wider counter fraud landscape.

What your subscription includes

- Six pre-paid places for use at Centre training days and ‘knowledge labs’
- Opportunity to purchase additional pre-paid places
- 10% off each of our counter fraud qualifications
- Access to technical support and guidance from the Centre’s expert advisors
- Complimentary access to anti-bribery and corruption e-learning for all staff
- Annual bespoke CIPFA Fraud and Corruption Tracker (CFaCT) report, illustrating how your counter fraud activities and performance compare to your peers
- A regular newsletter and timely updates on relevant political, financial and legislative issues, giving you all the facts at your fingertips
- Opportunities to drive the agenda, share knowledge and best practice, and debate key issues
- Exclusive access to online materials including briefings, presentations and a newsletter archive to help keep you informed
- Complimentary copy of the guidance notes and assessment tool for the Code of Practice on Managing the Risk of Fraud and Corruption
- Opportunities for networking, career development and CPD
- Discounted rates for selected CIPFA Network events
- Plus new benefits for 2020/21 – see overleaf
New for 2020 / 21

- **Free access to the Counter Fraud TISonline stream**
  TISonline is CIPFA’s online information resource that boasts 35 topic ‘streams’. In 2020 we will be transforming the counter fraud stream into a comprehensive, authoritative repository of resources and guidance materials, exclusively for Counter Fraud Centre and TISonline subscribers.

- **Free attendance at breakfast briefings**
  Once a quarter, we will host a breakfast briefing on a topical issue. Attracting expert speakers, these will tackle key developments and issues as they arise and give you the opportunity to discuss and analyse these with your peers. If you have a suggestion for a topic, please let us know (our contact details are overleaf).

- **Knowledge labs**
  You can use three of your pre-paid places at ‘knowledge labs’, new one-day events exploring key issues.

**May 2020: Digital and cyber**
What do new disruptive technologies mean for fraud threats and how can you manage these within your council? Are you making the best use of technology to protect your organisation from fraud?

**September 2020: A focus on services**
This session will consider the risks of fraud and corruption in different service areas, including adult social care, children’s services, waste management, highways and more.

**November 2020: Procurement fraud**
Join experts and peers to hear about recent research from the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) on procurement fraud and corruption, and to discuss and share your own experiences.

**January 2021: Communicating and engaging on the counter fraud agenda**
Top tips to ensure your governance arrangements support counter fraud and you make the most of engaging with your staff. The role of audit committees, whistleblowing and best practice will be considered.

One-day CPD training days
You can use three of your pre-paid places at one-day CPD training days hosted by the Counter Fraud Centre. Potential topics include:

- **Fraud Awareness in Procurement**: detecting and investigating acquisitive crime in the procurement process
- **Fraud Awareness in Social Housing**: detecting and investigating acquisitive crime in the social housing sector
- **Introduction to Fraud Investigations**: ideal for colleagues who would benefit from increasing their knowledge of financial crime investigations
- **Anti-money Laundering**: a technical and practical examination of money laundering, its nature and scale, the threat it poses and what the response should be
- **Identity Fraud**: exploring the issue of identify fraud and how to manage and mitigate the risks it poses
- **Grant Award Fraud**: the issue of grant award fraud and how it can be prevented and detected, specifically for organisations awarding grant funding

To search for upcoming dates, visit: [www.cipfa.org/counterfraudevents](http://www.cipfa.org/counterfraudevents)

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