#### **CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

## **Decision**:

#### **COUNTER FRAUD FUND**

# (i) Details of decision

That the use of the funds received from the Department of Communities and Local Government, as a result of the successful bid for counter fraud fund monies be approved, in accordance with the bid submission.

# (ii) Reasons for decision

The Council maintains a zero tolerance approach to fraud and has made a commitment to encourage the prevention of, and promote the detection of fraud.

Delivering the planned programme of counter fraud activity is expected to deliver financial savings of £1.68m across the participating Surrey Councils by 2016/17.

#### (iii) Details of any alternative options considered and rejected

None

# (iv) Details of any consultation and representations received not included in the published report

The Chief Internal Auditor confirmed that the funding (£179,500) had been received from the Department for Communities and Local Government.

Also,

- 1. The Leader requested that the Chief Internal Auditor drafted a letter for him to send to the Leaders of those Borough and District Councils who had not signed up to work in partnership and participate in the counter fraud work.
- 2. That the counter fraud work was monitored by the Audit and Governance Committee and that this committee receive a report twice a year. The Leader should also be advised of the outcomes.

# **Conflicts of Interest and any Dispensations Granted**

(Any conflict of interest declared by any other Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the decision to be recorded and any dispensations granted by the Audit and Governance Committee)

None

### **Decision taken by:**

(i) Name: David Hodge

(ii) Portfolio: Leader of the Council

**<u>Date of Decision</u>**: 14 January 2015

**Date of Publication of Record of Decision:** 15 January 2015

<u>Date decision effective</u> (i.e. 5 working days after date of publication of record of decision unless subject to call-in by the Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee): 23 January 2015