

## Whatever happened to the Fraud Review ?

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### **FRAUD REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS**

- set up a National Fraud Strategic Authority (NFSA), with a fraud measurement function;
- form a national Lead Police Force for Fraud;
- establish a National Fraud Reporting Centre (NFRC);
- explore the costs and benefits of a Financial Court;
- develop proposals for increased sentencing powers for the judiciary;
- explore how a plea negotiation framework might work in the ELS.

# A national challenge to a National threat

- Costs of fraud fall across the UK economy:
- Direct losses to business and consumers
- Robs taxpayers of the public services they have paid for
- Reduces investor confidence and efficiency of financial markets
- Compromises UK's reputation as a safe place to do business
- And - fraud provides operating capital for organised crime

## NFSA'S MISSION AND KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

### Mission

To reduce the harm caused by fraud by making the UK a more hostile environment for fraudsters

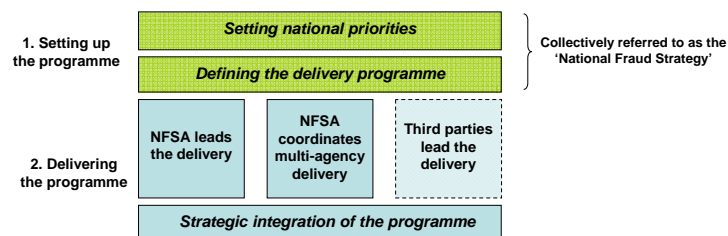
### Roles and responsibilities

To realise this mission the NFSA has two key sets of responsibilities:

1. Setting up a national fraud programme based on agreed national priorities; and,
2. Ensuring that the national fraud programme is delivered successfully.

NFSA will have three key roles in ensuring the programme's success:

- a) *Leading* the delivery of some projects and activities
- b) *coordinating* the multi-agency delivery of others
- c) *integrating* the delivery of the programme overall, including those projects and activities being delivered uni-/bi-laterally by third parties.



## THE SCOPE OF THE NATIONAL PROGRAMME

*To achieve maximum, coherent effect, the NFSA managed programme will reach across the whole spectrum of anti-fraud activity.*

Deterrence	Prevention	Detection	Investigation	Sanctions	Redress
Fraudsters face high risks and low rewards of fraud	Opportunities for fraud 'designed-out'.	Frauds are identified when they happen.	Perpetrators are detected and held to account.	Fraudsters don't profit and face persuasive & effective penalties	Victims receive justice – with losses transferred back from the fraudster.

## MULTI AGENCY COORDINATION GROUP (MACG)

- The dedicated **operational component** of the NFSA.
- Bringing together agencies with an **enforcement** function in relation to fraud
- Pooling individual authority to execute the national fraud priorities agreed by NFSA
- We will be **piloting** the MACG's new targeted, joined-up approach to fraud this summer 2008.

## National Fraud Reporting & intelligence Centre

- Providing national **knowledge management** on fraud
- Incorporating a **Fraud intelligence analysis** unit
- When fully operational, the NFRC will receive all verified public and private reports of fraud.
- Analysed **intelligence packages** to inform investigations or other actions by a wide variety of bodies.
- Providing a national **service to fraud victims**
- Informing the NFSA and the National Fraud Strategy

## National LEAD FORCE

- Extending the City of London Police's successful role as Lead Force in London & the South East **nationally**.
- Providing specialist expertise and experience in economic crime to develop as a **centre of excellence**.
- Supporting Regional Forces, to **increase national capacity** to investigate fraud.
- Supplying frontline experience to the NFSA to formulate the **national fraud strategy**
- Recruitment already underway. 45 additional officers should be in post Spring 2009.

### **Criminal Justice initiatives**

- Current public consultation on Plea Negotiation Framework (closes 03.7.08)
- Linked consultation on preventive powers for the Crown Court
- Working group on Financial Court jurisdiction
- Review of Criminal Procedure & Investigations Act disclosure provisions

The National Fraud Programme

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