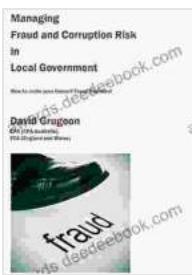


How To Make Your Council Fraud Resistant



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Councils are potential targets for fraud, as they manage large sums of money and have access to sensitive data. Fraud can damage a council's reputation, finances, and operations. However, there are steps that councils can take to make themselves more fraud resistant.

This guide will provide you with the information you need to protect your council from fraud. We will cover the following topics:

- * What is fraud?
- * How to identify fraud
- * How to prevent fraud
- * How to respond to fraud

What is fraud?

Fraud is any intentional deception or misrepresentation that results in an unauthorized benefit for the perpetrator. Fraud can take many forms,

including:

- * Corruption
- * Theft
- * Embezzlement
- * Bribery
- * Forgery
- * Identity theft
- * Cybercrime

How to identify fraud

There are a number of red flags that can indicate fraud, including:

- * Unusual patterns of activity
- * Missing or altered documents
- * Inconsistent or contradictory information
- * Employees who are living beyond their means
- * Employees who are reluctant to take time off
- * Employees who are frequently accessing sensitive data

How to prevent fraud

There are a number of steps that councils can take to prevent fraud, including:

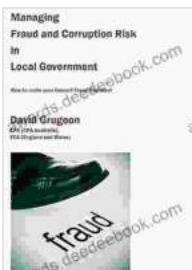
- * Establishing a strong fraud prevention policy
- * Implementing fraud prevention controls
- * Educating employees about fraud
- * Monitoring for fraud
- * Responding to fraud promptly

How to respond to fraud

If you suspect that fraud has occurred, it is important to take the following steps:

- * Report the fraud to the appropriate authorities
- * Secure the evidence
- * Cooperate with the investigation
- * Take steps to prevent future fraud

Fraud is a serious threat to councils. However, by taking the steps outlined in this guide, councils can make themselves more fraud resistant. By understanding the types of fraud, the red flags to look for, and the steps to take to prevent and respond to fraud, councils can protect themselves from the damaging effects of fraud.



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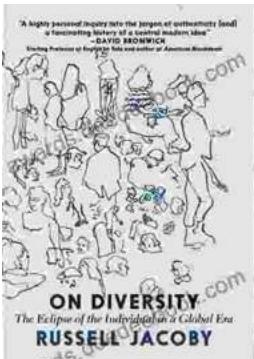
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