

Excellence in Protecting the Public Purse

Summary

This award specifically relates to organisations that have excelled in Protecting the Public Purse. There should be a recognition of the need to ensure systems and controls adequately address their risk of fraud as well as putting in place measures to prevent, detect and investigate frauds. The submission should provide a clear explanation of achievements, by whom and how it compares to other organisations.

Submission

The submission should include a brief description of the service and its size. It should summarise exactly why the team believe they should be recognised with an award in Excellence in Protecting the Public Purse.

There must be evidence of areas covered including financial investigation and of co-operation with other authorities, housing associations etc. It also needs to show the breadth of coverage and the cost (i.e. benefit ratio achieved). It should reference any external partnerships and how they have contributed to a successful team. Reporting lines, press coverage and number of prosecutions also need to be shown.

The Awards panel will be looking for a clear explanation of what has been achieved and how it contributes towards the performance of the overall service.

Note

Additional evidence is not required during the submission process. Supporting information may be requested by an Inspection Team, at a later date.