

## **Job Description**

| A Post Details                                       |                           |
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| Job Title: Accredited Financial Investigator         | Grade: B001               |
| Department: A FHQ Crime – Project Plume – ECU - MSOC | Division: Select Division |
| Reports to: Detective Inspector                      |                           |
| Level of Vetting: Management Vetting                 | Numbers in Post: 2        |
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## **B** Purpose of the Post

This is a unique opportunity to join the Project Plume team which is a British Transport Police led multi-agency (including National Economic Crime Centre/National Crime Agency /Joint Unit Waste Crime and HMRC) response to reduce the threat of cash-based money laundering within the scrap metal and waste sector. The Project delivers this response through Improved Understanding of the Threat, Increased Asset Denial and Public/Private Engagement.

All Accredited Financial Investigators (AFI's) within BTP's Crime command provide expert analytical evidence to support both Criminal and Civil Investigations. Looking to increase asset denial opportunities.

Good communication and forging working relationships with partner agencies and Home Forces is key to driving activity to disrupt criminality in the waste sector.

#### C Dimensions of the Post

- The role holder will not be a designated budget holder or indirectly influences budget decisions.
- There will be no line management responsibilities.

### **D** Principal Accountabilities

- Utilise financial investigative resources to identify, seize/restrain and confiscate the proceeds of crime under Part 2 and Part 8 POCA (as amended).
- To take the lead in the investigation and management of cash seizures, within the time sensitive deadlines inherent in the legislation; and giving evidence at court to secure detention and forfeiture of cash where appropriate in line with current POCA legislation.
- Conduct reactive and proactive investigations, undertaking the preparation and submission of evidence to support prosecutions and civil recovery.



- Interview suspects in accordance with the legislation and the Practical Guide to investigative interviewing.
- Interview victims and witnesses in accordance with the law and with reference to the
   Victim Charter and the Practical Guide to Investigative Interviewing
- Act as officer in the case; ensuring the investigation is carried out thoroughly and expeditiously in accordance with investigation policy and relevant legal requirements.
- Presenting evidential material in court on behalf of British Transport Police in relation to civil and criminal proceedings.
- Develop and maintain close liaison with partners and other Law Enforcement Agencies
- Ensure that intelligence is used ethically and in accordance with the relevant legislation, policy, protocols and codes and practice.
- Participate in joint Police and partner operations, working within appropriate authority limits and carrying out tasks necessary for the successful implementation of the operation whilst managing risks to the operation and acting in accordance with legislation and procedure.

## **E Decision Making**

- This role includes working independently and also as part of a team.
- Whilst levels of experience will differ there is an expectation that the successful candidate
  will be able to progress financial investigation as well as supporting wider criminal
  investigations.
- There will be an element of independent decision making around cases held.
- There will be regular case review meetings with line managers and / or wider team to ensure the cases are progressing as required. Whereby there will be opportunity to discuss lines of enquiry / progression both individually and with colleagues.

#### **F** Contact with others

## <u>Internal</u>

- Advise and support colleagues and wider teams on live cases
- Provide guidance to all staff on the potential for financial investigation input and its advantages.
- Finance Department
- PACE and POCA Gatekeepers

#### External

Building key working relationships with stakeholders/ professional bodies and law enforcement agencies where appropriate, supporting increased working opportunities across Project Plume.



Key partners include -Joint Unit for Waste Crime / Environment Agency/ HMRC / Home Police Forces/ National Crime Agency, Financial institutions, Land Registry, and HMCTS.

#### <u>Supervision</u>

• The post holder will report directly to the supervisor of Project Plume.

### **Section G Essential Criteria**

### **Qualifications:**

- Be a current accredited financial investigator with Part 2, Part 8 and all Part 5 Proceeds
  of Crime Act 2002 amended by the Criminal Finances Act 2017 (or be within the NCA
  defined self-suspension period that will enable immediate re-accreditation or reaccreditation with refresher courses/ action plans)
- PIP Level 2 or equivalent

## **Experience & Skills:**

- Practical working knowledge of relevant legislation and policies appropriate to the role. (for example: General Data Protection Regulation 2016, Management of Police Information, Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996 - Disclosure rules, PACE, Money Laundering Regulations)
- Proven previous experience in conducting investigations in a criminal, fraud, money laundering and financial environment
- Proven use of experience in analytical financial intelligence gathering skills and identifying POCA opportunities.
- The ability to prepare and present case material to an evidential standard.
- Ability to compile complex financial reports from material gathered
- Familiarity and experience with the court environment, in particular preparing and presenting evidence.
- Be self-motivated, with the ability to manage their own case load, work under pressure while producing high quality work
- Be able to proactively develop effective working relationships with colleagues, partners and other stakeholders.
- Have strong IT skills, including working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel and other office application
- Implement good working practices that arises from changing crime trends.

#### **Desirable Criteria**

- Full current UK driving licence
- Has an understanding or experience in Crypto Currency /Listed assets.
- Qualified Financial Investigator tutor
- Working knowledge of financial toolkits i2 / Altia.

#### **G** Additional Information





Applicants must be willing to travel to all Force areas when required

For Panel to complete only:

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