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Role Title:	Assistant Investigator
Rank/Grade:	A3
Job Family:	Operational
Reporting to:	Local Crime Team, LPC Team or a HQ Crime based team, reporting directly to the Detective Constable or Team Leader/Detective Sergeant
Main purpose of the role:	To conduct enquiries as directed by the senior investigating or deputy senior investigating officer or appropriate line manager. Such enquiries will involve researching, gathering and obtaining evidence and intelligence by various means including interviewing witnesses and suspects and taking statements from them. To provide administrative support to enable the efficient provision of service. To contribute to achieving the Force vision, purpose and values.

Key Responsibilities

- Ensure the collection of all relevant documentation, information or data that is required by the investigation to form an overall picture of the circumstances including the preparation or upgrade of files to designated standards.
- Accurately gather information, working closely and communicating with all levels of the Constabulary, other Police Forces and external organisations, analysing and interpreting data and bringing any new evidence or intelligence in the enquiry to the notice of an appropriate line manager.
- Interview suspects (alone or with colleagues) including using inferences, ensuring at all times the correct treatment of the detained individual.
- Carry out interviews with witnesses and victims where appropriate and obtain their statements.
- Undertake searches of premises of arrested or detained individuals and where appropriate seize and take control of items for further investigation.
- Produce written evidence and, where necessary and appropriate, deliver that evidence in court.

Designated Police Powers

- Para. 18 – Power of entry and search after arrest
- Para. 19 – Power of seizure when lawfully on premises
- Para. 20 – Power to access and copy seized material
- Para. 21 – Power to arrest at a Police Station for other offences
- Para. 22 – Power to transfer persons into custody of Investigating Officers
- Para. 23 – Power to require arrested person to account for certain matters
- Para. 24 – Extended powers of seizure

Financial e.g. limits/mandates	Non-financial e.g. staff responsibility
• None	• None

Entry Requirements

- Ability to input to and interrogate computer databases.
- Ability to operate in customer facing role.
- Ability to conduct directed investigations with the public and suspects including taking statements.
- Ability to follow investigative processes.
- Understanding of the Criminal Justice System.
- Ability to prepare documentation to build case files for prosecution to the appropriate standard.



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Any other General Requirements/Scope

- The post holder may be required to work from different locations other than the home station.
- The post holder will be required to use their own vehicle so business insurance will need to be organised by the individual.
- The post holder may be required to work additional hours but this will be agreed in advance in conjunction with management & the post holder.
- The post holder will be expected to visit a police custody environment and therefore will need to undertake health & safety training where necessary (training or assessment can be provided).
- Vetting required, as advised by the vetting unit.
- The post holder will be expected to undertake training as and when required.
- The post holder will be expected to comply with health and safety requirements.

Obligatory Requirements

- Before commencement of this appointment, this role is subject to medical assessment. For some roles health screening or surveillance may be required on a regular basis, as identified by line manager risk assessments.
- There is a requirement for the role holder to meet the probationary objectives set.

Personal Qualities (Behavioural Competencies)

Serving the public

Demonstrates a real belief in public service, focusing on what matters to the public and will best serve their interests. Understands the expectations, changing needs and concerns of different communities, and strives to address them. Builds public confidence by talking with people in local communities to explore their viewpoints and break down barriers between them and the police. Understands the impact and benefits of policing for different communities, and identifies the best way to deliver services to them. Works in partnership with other agencies to deliver the best possible overall service to the public.

Openness to change

Positive about change, adapting rapidly to different ways of working and putting effort into making them work. Flexible and open to alternative approaches to solving problems. Finds better, more cost-effective ways to do things, making suggestions for change and putting forward ideas for improvement. Takes an innovative and creative approach to solving problems.

Service delivery

Understands the organisation's objectives and priorities, and how own work fits into these. Plans and organises tasks effectively, taking a structured and methodical approach to achieving outcomes. Manages multiple tasks effectively by thinking things through in advance, prioritising and managing time well. Focuses on the outcomes to be achieved, working quickly and accurately and seeking guidance when appropriate.

Professionalism

Acts with integrity, in line with the values and ethical standards of the Police Service. Takes ownership for resolving problems, demonstrating courage and resilience in dealing with difficult and potentially volatile situations. Acts on own initiative to address issues, showing a strong work ethic and demonstrating extra effort when required. Upholds professional standards, acting honestly and ethically, and challenges unprofessional conduct or discriminatory behaviour. Asks for and acts on feedback, learning from experience and developing own professional skills and knowledge. Remains calm and professional under pressure, defusing conflict and being prepared to step forward and take control when required.

Decision making

Gathers, verifies and assesses all appropriate and available information to gain an accurate understanding of situations. Considers a range of possible options before making clear, timely, justifiable decisions. Reviews decisions in the light of new information and changing circumstances. Balances risks, costs and benefits, thinking about the wider impact of decisions. Exercises discretion and applies professional judgement, ensuring actions and decisions are proportionate and in the public interest.



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Working with others

Works co-operatively with others to get things done, willingly giving help and support to colleagues. Is approachable, developing positive working relationships. Explains things well, focusing on the key points and talking to people using language they understand. Listens carefully and asks questions to clarify understanding, expressing own views positively and constructively. Persuades people by stressing the benefits of a particular approach, keeps them informed of progress and manages their expectations. Is courteous, polite and considerate, showing empathy and compassion. Deals with people as individuals and addresses their specific needs and concerns. Treats people with respect and dignity, dealing with them fairly and without prejudice regardless of their background or circumstances.