

# Criminal Investigations and Prosecutions

## A Two Day Course

This course is facilitated by one of the Specialist Trainers used by the Public Health Legal Information Unit. All are highly experienced in Local Authority investigations and prosecutions.

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**This course deals with the conduct of a criminal investigation undertaken by the local authority.**

**It includes the power to investigate, how that investigation must be conducted, the Regulatory Compliance Code (supplementing the Enforcement Concordat), the Human Rights Act 1998, the impact of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (P.A.C.E.) and the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996 (C.P.I.A.), the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (R.I.P.A.), the Criminal Justice Act 2003 and the Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, preparing for and then appearing in court and considerations of the type of evidence to be obtained, its admissibility etc.**

### Course Outline

#### Day 1

- **Local Authority Offences.**
- **What is evidence?**
- **What governs the investigation?**
- **The Regulatory Compliance Code (supplementing the Enforcement Concordat).**
- **Human Rights Act 1998.**
- **Should you prosecute?**
- **Code of Practice for Crown Prosecutors.**
- **Council Enforcement Policies**
- **Introduction to the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984.**
- **P.A.C.E. Codes C, E and their application to local authorities**
- **Drawing an Inference from Silence**



#### Day 2

- **Introduction to the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996.**
- **The Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000.**
- **Fixed Penalty Notices.**
- **How do the police relate to a local authority?**
- **Time scales for preparation of file.**
- **Continuity of evidence.**
- **Photos and Videos.**
- **Expert witnesses.**
- **Formal Cautions.**
- **Costs.**