

# Practical Criminal Investigation and Interviewing Skills

## A One Day Course

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The aims and objectives of this one day course are:

To provide delegates with up to date practical knowledge enabling them to effectively interview witnesses and offenders.

To facilitate a level of competency in the application of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act in relation to interviewing witnesses and other legislation relevant to a local authority investigator.

This in turn will enable effective case preparation and, in conjunction with local authority legal officers, should lead to successful prosecutions of local authority offences.

As this is an interactive course, **delegate numbers are limited to 12.**

### Session 1

'Needs' exercise -What is an interview?  
Relevant legislation  
PACE, CPIA  
Human Rights  
Admissibility of evidence  
What is evidence? - Hearsay, Opinion-  
"Expert" witness, Basic Statement  
rules

### Session 2

Preparing for an interview  
Open and closed questions  
Having a plan-witnesses  
Dealing with the witness  
Getting the facts  
Using an interview model

### Course Outline



### Session 3

Interviewing the suspect  
Putting a plan together  
Importance of research-points to  
prove  
Pairs or solo?  
Taping or notes?  
Pre interview conversation  
Disclosure to solicitors and handling  
solicitors

### Session 4

Interview models  
Suspects  
Co operative  
Un- cooperative  
Post interview  
To report, now or later?  
Record of interview  
Further action