

Investigating Gangs workshop – trends, best practice and latest thinking



EXCLUSIVE WORKSHOP

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- Join the Investigator for this EXCLUSIVE workshop that examines the current picture of gangland criminality in the UK
- Former London gang boss shares his experiences and provides an up to date picture of gangs and criminality in the UK
- The Met Police Trident Central Gangs Unit reveals how it is the first force in the UK to use the Modern Day Slavery Act to decriminalise children used in drug crime in London gangs

Find out how gangs are engaging in the following criminality:

- Child Sexual Exploitation Grooming
- Radicalisation and extremism
- Drugs and violence
- Hear from academics at the University of Kent about their cutting edge research into the psychology and motivation of gangs

The evolution of gangs and criminality in the UK – a complex picture
The Investigator is holding a one day workshop for all investigators that looks at the evolution of gangs and how they operate in a criminal context.

We'll examine the current picture and look at how complex it can be to investigate and interact with gangs. Gangs are a key aspect of the current vulnerability agenda for investigators as often members can be both victims and suspects.

Our one day workshop is aimed at all investigators and will help inform your future investigation strategy in crimes where gangs are involved.

Our expert speakers are currently working at the forefront of the area of gangs and criminality and will share with you their expertise through case studies and practical experience backed up by sound research.

HOW TO BOOK

Venue: Hitchin Priory, Tilehouse Street, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG5 2DL, UK

Accommodation is available at the hotel for a discounted price of £75 B&B please call 01462 420500 and quote The Investigator when booking your room.

Details: Registration 9.15am, start time 9.45am, finish 3.30pm. Refreshments and lunch are included in the price

Cost: £249 per delegate or two for £395 (no VAT)

Booking: Please send the delegates name(s), email address and purchase order to info@the-investigator.co.uk or telephone 0844 660 8707 for further information. Payment can be made by debit/credit card.

The venue

Hitchin Priory, Hitchin, Hertfordshire

The hotel is a charming 14th Century building nestled in 19 acres of tranquil parkland, yet only 2 minutes walk from the centre of the beautiful market town.



Our speakers include:

Detective Supt Tim Champion, Trident Central Gangs Unit, Met Police: Det Supt Champion works at the forefront of gangland criminality in the UK's biggest police force. He will speak about the evolution of gangs in London and their current involvement in drugs and violence in the Capital. He will highlight just how vulnerable young people are becoming as they are being used by gangs to carry out drug crime.

Junior Smart, SOS Project Leader, St Giles' Trust: Junior is a former London gang leader who served time in prison for his gangland activities. On his release, he turned his life around and now runs the SOS Project that aims to divert young people from gangs, Junior has a wealth of experience about the current picture of gang criminality in the UK and lectures on the subject to criminal justice agencies, community organisations and schools.

Zubeda Limbada, Director Connect Futures: An organisation that has worked with the Home Office and UK forces to advise on the dangers of radicalisation and counter terrorism. It has worked for over ten years on the Prevent strategy and has built up a unique expertise on the current picture of gangs and radicalisation and the role of the internet in facilitating terrorist activity.

Dr Jane Wood and students from University of Kent Department of Forensic Psychology: Will unveil their research into the psychology of gangs, the structure, make up and motivation of gangs including the role of mental health issues among gang members. The department is leading the way in gang research in the UK and has spent extensive periods interviewing convicted prisoners about their gangland criminality.

Detective Supt Damian Alain, head of Trident Gang Command for South London: The current and future challenges of leading gun crime in London,



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