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MAKES US ALL LOOK BAD

GMPA's Anti-Fraud and Anti-Corruption Strategy is aimed at making sure fraud and corruption is stamped out within GMPA and GMP. A copy of the strategy can be found at [www.gmpa.gov.uk](http://www.gmpa.gov.uk) in the publications section

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# Stamping out fraud and corruption



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# What is fraud or corruption?

Fraud and corruption can lead to financial loss, a damaged reputation and reduced customer confidence. Financial loss can mean fewer jobs, reduced services and higher bills. In short, the consequences of fraud and corruption can affect everyone.

Greater Manchester Police Authority (GMPA) is committed to a culture of honesty and opposition to fraud and corruption. It is dedicated to stamping out fraud and corruption within GMPA and Greater Manchester Police (GMP).

Where fraud, corruption and other problems occur, the Authority will deal with them in a firm and controlled manner. All instances of reported fraud and corruption will be fully investigated and the appropriate action taken against those concerned. Where it is considered a criminal offence has been committed, this will be investigated and may result in a prosecution.

GMPA believes both members of the public and all members of staff (GMP and GMPA employees/members/

volunteers) should feel able to report any cases of wrongdoing therefore it's important people understand what constitutes fraud and corruption.

## Theft

Dishonestly taking property belonging to someone else with the intention of never returning it to its rightful owner.

## Fraud

Obtaining money for work not done.

## Corruption

Use of a reward such as money to influence the action of a person.  
Failing to abide by codes of conduct or any other relevant regulations.

**Remember**, failing to take action to stop fraud or corruption is also an act of wrongdoing.

# What to do if you suspect fraud or corruption

If you are a member of the public report the matter immediately so it can be investigated. Call freephone 0808 100 1235

If you are a GMP or GMPA representative (staff, officer, volunteer or member) there are a few simple guidelines to follow.

## Make an immediate note of your concerns

Record all relevant details eg, what was said, the date, the time and the names of people involved.

## Tell someone in authority

Normally this would be your line manager or divisional department head. If you wish to remain anonymous contact 0808 100 1235 in the first instance.

## Deal with it promptly

Any delay could cause GMPA/GMP further losses.

## Do not

- Do nothing
- Be afraid of raising your concerns. There will be no recriminations against anyone voicing a reasonably held concern
- Accuse anyone directly
- Try to investigate the matter yourself
- Tell anyone other than those with proper authority

If you are in any doubt about what fraud or corruption is call 0808 100 1235 for advice

