

### **Candidate enquiry – November 2020**

Is there a de minimis level below which Avon and Somerset Constabulary economic crime/ fraud teams will not investigate?

### **PCC election board response**

No, Avon and Somerset Police does not have a minimum value. There are factors that may mean they wouldn't investigate but they would only take into account value when considering the most appropriate and proportionate response for a report of fraud. However, all fraud (except for service) is initially assessed by NFIB and they have various algorithms that they run, which means that some cases will never be reviewed.

However, a minimum value isn't one of those factors that would automatically rule out a case for investigation. A higher value may mean that a case is automatically reviewed though.