

Please pass to both your HR & Business Managers

Independent Investigation Services

Do you see trouble on the horizon?



Sometimes getting some support from 'outside' is simply the right thing.

This is often the case in things that relate to **Disciplinary**, **Grievance** especially where there are problematic wider team issues.

Because of demand we are **adding** to our service with additional expertise to help.

Before deciding, of course, some **flexibility** & an intelligent **appraisal** of what is happening is important. There can be a vast difference on the appropriate approach depending on what has happened.

For definite choosing the **right approach** is critical but so is getting the **right people** to work on the problems for you.

Sometimes that is well served from 'within' but increasingly organisations are recognising the value of **independent** investigation.

That is because there is usually a need to resolve matters as **efficiently** as possible & there is huge advantage if it can be done without **compromising** day to day business and indeed future business plans.

Also, many situations are **complicated** & it takes the input of **experienced** people to sort things out. Sometimes the **availability** of resource from within just doesn't allow for that.

Independence also scores well in terms of **developing trust** from individuals involved where they are most concerned to be heard & have the chance to say what they feel.

At a time when those involved may also **feel vulnerable** this is understandable. Because it works well organisations are looking to utilise services like our own which undertake **independent** investigations.

Most commonly their experience when they do this is the same.

Typically:

- Disruption to everyone involved is lower
- Impact on business development is reduced
- Issues are resolved more efficiently with better outcomes
- Using a 'safe pair of hands' reduces potential for appeal & indeed potential tribunal

Happily, not everyone needs us all the time but the bottom line is we are here to help when you do.

We have an **experienced** flexible Investigation team available to work with you & **especially** able to tackle cases which are **challenging**.

Of course, no one knows when a problem will come so we also try to be as **responsive** as possible when it does. However – our services are in demand so if you see something on the horizon it is best to talk to us early.

Our Investigation Service most often undertakes a **full investigation** & delivers a complete package including the report and case file. However, we are happy to chat if something different is needed.

We are intent on offering a **square deal** where you only pay for what we do and we work on clear rates which are reasonable.

The service is **synergistic** with the rest of One Wests' offer and because Investigations can be associated with Audit, Risk, GDPR & Fraud Assurance etc. we are able to tie everything together for you if something happens.

Want to know more? We would be very happy to talk.

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You might also like to check out our website: www.onewest.co.uk

Thanks & we look forward to speaking with you.

The One West Team

