

## C7010 SO1 Surveillance Officer (Designated)

## **Role Description**

Under the direction of the Director of Intelligence provide specialist surveillance support to operations and pro-active investigations into problems that affect the communities of Avon and Somerset Constabulary, the South West Regional Force areas and when necessary England and Wales.

## Main Responsibilities

- To undertake, engage and be accountable for key decision making in relation to your deployment as a Surveillance Officer whilst static, on foot or in a vehicle.
- To perform dynamic risk assessments as the surveillance officer, whilst balancing the overarching aims of the deployment taking into consideration personal and public safety.
  To conduct foot and mobile surveillance as part of a surveillance team across the region whilst obtaining evidence
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  and intelligence in respect of allocated operations, ensuring these are obtained in accordance with relevant policy
  and legal requirements.
- To obtain and execute search warrants under Section 8 and/or search premises as designated by Section 18 (1) and 18 (2) and seize evidence under the provisions of section 19 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984.
- To develop proactive strategies and tactics to gather evidence or intelligence to prove or disprove involvement of allocated nominal which will lead to the arrest, conviction and or disruption of those subject to investigation.
- To form effective working relationships with Intelligence and Investigation officers to develop intelligence and research in order to reduce criminal activity.
- To operate photographic and other technical equipment ensuring that all procedures are followed to ensure evidential integrity.
- To assist in the preparation and presentation of prosecution case files and relevant documentation giving consideration to evidential and disclosure issues, including attending court and giving evidence.
- To execute the powers designated by the Chief Constable (under Schedule 38 of the Police Reform Act 2002 as amended by the Policing and Crime Act 2017.

## Rank\Scale

SO1

### Reports To

DS Force Surveillance Team

## Supervisory Responsibility

None

### **Additional Information**

Avon and Somerset Constabulary are committed to the principles of Equal Opportunities for all and welcome applications from minority groups including disabled people.

### Reasonable adjustments

Following consideration, reasonable adjustments will be implemented to enable disabled staff covered by the provisions of the Equality Act to undertake the core duties and responsibilities of a post in line with the Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) guidance and code of practice on employment.

### Additional Responsibilities:

You may be required to perform other duties which are not necessarily specified on the role profile, but which are commensurate with the responsibilities of the role holder.

### Security Vetting:

It is the policy of the Avon & Somerset Constabulary to conduct security checks on all staff in line with the National Vetting Policy.

## **Experience and Qualifications**



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#### Essential:

Hold a Police Advanced Drivers Qualification

Hold an accredited Q1 National Surveillance Qualification

Hold an accredited Q8 Specialist Firearms Integration Course (SFIC) Qualification

Computer literate

Previous experience of dealing with matters of a confidential matter

Experience of obtaining evidence and intelligence

Experience of developing pro-active strategies

Experience of using photographic and technical equipment

Experience of preparing case files / report writing

Experience of developing effective working relationships to work together for a common outcome.

#### Desirable:

Camera Competence for Surveillance

This post has been designated as requiring the following vetting levels in accordance with the 'Vetting Code of Practice' and the 'Authorised Professional Practice on Vetting' - Police Management Vetting (MV) And National Security Vetting - Security Clearance Level (SC).

## **Shortlisting**

Shortlisting Specification SHORTLIST

Criteria relevant to the job ESSENTIAL

Requirements necessary for safe and effective performance in the job ADDITIONAL / USEFUL
Where available, elements that contribute to improved/immediate performance in the job
Qualifications Hold a Police Advanced Drivers Qualification - QA1 Hold an accredited Q1 National Surveillance
Qualification - QA2 Hold an accredited Q8 Specialist Firearms Integration Course (SFIC) Qualification - QA3
Experience Experience of using computer packages - EE1 Experience of covert surveillance and photography/work - EA1
Experience of communicating effectively both orally and in writing (ie reports / presentations) - EE2 Experience of basic investigation - EE3 Experience of gathering and analysing basic information - EE4 Experience of producing reports and written documentation as required - EE5 Able to carry out specification checks on technical

producing reports and written documentation as required - EE5 Able to carry out specification checks on technical equipment required for surveillance purposes - EE6 Competent in a range of surveillance equipment and has a full understanding of the impact of policies - EE7 Has good powers of observation and the ability to blend in with the

surroundings. - EE8 Hold full current driving licence - EE9

### **Skills**

Skill Category	Skill Name	Skill Level	Skill Description	For PDR
Core Values	Impartiality	Supervisory/Middle Manager	Behaviours:  •I take into account individual needs and requirements in all of my actions •I understand that treating everyone fairly does not mean everyone is treated the same •I always give people an equal opportunity to express their views •I communicate with everyone, making sure the most relevant message is provided to all •I value everyone's views and opinions by actively listening to understand their perspective •I make fair and objective decisions using the best available evidence •I enable everyone to have equal access to services and information, where appropriate	No



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	Integrity	Supervisory/Middle Manager	Behaviours:	No
			•I always act in line with the values of the police service and the Code of Ethics for the benefit of the public •I demonstrate courage in doing the right thing, even in challenging situations •I enhance the reputation of my organisation and the wider police service through my actions and behaviours •I challenge colleagues whose behaviour, attitude and language falls below the public's and the service's expectations •I am open and responsive to challenge about my actions and words •I declare any conflicts of interest at the earliest opportunity •I am respectful of the authority and influence my position gives me •I use resources effectively and efficiently and not for personal benefit	
Core Values	Public Service	Supervisory/Middle Manager	Behaviours:  •I act in the interest of the public, first and foremost •I am motivated by serving the public, ensuring that I provide the best service possible at all times •I seek to understand the needs of others to act in their best interests •I adapt to address the needs and concerns of different communities •I tailor my communication to be appropriate and respectful to my audience •I take into consideration how others want to be treated when interacting with them •I treat people respectfully regardless of the circumstances •I share credit with everyone involved in delivering services	No
Core Values	Transparency	Supervisory/Middle Manager	el ensure that my decision-making rationale is clear and considered so that it is easily understood by others el am clear and comprehensive when communicating with others el am open and honest about my areas for development and I strive to improve el give an accurate representation of my actions and records el recognise the value of feedback and act on it el give constructive and accurate feedback el represent the opinions of others accurately and consistently el am consistent and truthful in my communications el maintain confidentiality appropriately	No



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Intelligent, Creative and Informed Policing	We analyse critically	Supervisory/Middle Manager	I ensure that the best available evidence from a wide range of sources is taken into account when making decisions.	No
			I think about different perspectives and motivations when reviewing information and how this may influence key points.	
			I ask incisive questions to test out facts and assumptions, questioning and challenging the information provided when necessary.	
			I understand when to balance decisive action with due consideration.	
			I recognise patterns, themes and connections between several and diverse sources of information and best available evidence.	
			I identify when I need to take action on the basis of limited information and think about how to mitigate the risks in so doing.	
			I challenge others to ensure that decisions are made in alignment with our mission, values and the Code of Ethics.	
Inclusive, Enabling and Visionary Leadership	We are collaborative	Supervisory/Middle Manager	I manage relationships and partnerships for the long term, sharing information and building trust to find the best solutions.	No
			I help create joined-up solutions across organisational and geographical boundaries, partner organisations and those the police serve.	
			I understand the local partnership context, helping me to use a range of tailored steps to build support.	
			I work with our partners to decide who is best placed to take the lead on initiatives.	
			I try to anticipate our partners' needs and take action to address these.	
			I do not make assumptions. I check that our partners are getting what they need from the police service.	
			I build commitment from others (including the public) to work together to deliver agreed outcomes.	



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Resolute, Compassionat e and	We are emotionally aware	Supervisory/Middle Manager	I consider the perspectives of people from a wide range of backgrounds before taking action.	No
Committed			I adapt my style and approach according to the needs of the people I am working with, using my own behaviour to achieve the best outcome.	
			I promote a culture that values diversity and encourages challenge.	
			I encourage reflective practice among others and take the time to support others to understand reactions and behaviours.	
			I take responsibility for helping to ensure the emotional wellbeing of those in my teams.	
			I take the responsibility to deal with any inappropriate behaviours.	
Intelligent, Creative and Informed Policing	We are innovative and open-minded	Supervisory/Middle Manager	I explore a number of different sources of information and use a variety of tools when faced with a problem and look for good practice that is not always from policing.	No
			I am able to spot opportunities or threats which may influence how I go about my job in the future by using knowledge of trends, new thinking about policing and changing demographics in the population.	
			I am flexible in my approach, changing my plans to make sure that I have the best impact.	
			I encourage others to be creative and take appropriate risks.	
			I share my explorations and understanding of the wider internal and external environment.	
nclusive, Enabling and /isionary	We deliver, support and inspire	Supervisory/Middle Manager	I give clear directions and have explicit expectations, helping others to understand how their work operates in the wider context.	No
Leadership			I identify barriers that inhibit performance in my teams and take steps to resolve these thereby enabling others to perform.	
			I lead the public and/or my colleagues, where appropriate, during incidents or through the provision of advice and support.	
			I ensure the efficient use of resources to create the most value and to deliver the right impact within my areas.	
			I keep track of changes in the external environment, anticipating both the short and long-term implications for the police service.	
			I motivate and inspire others to achieve their best.	



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Resolute, Compassionat e and Committed	We take ownership	Supervisory/Middle Manager	I proactively create a culture of ownership within my areas of work and support others to display personal responsibility.  I take responsibility for making improvements to policies, processes and procedures, actively encouraging others to contribute their ideas.  I am accountable for the decisions my team make and the activities within our teams.  I take personal responsibility for seeing events	No
			I take personal responsibility for seeing events through to a satisfactory conclusion and for correcting any problems both promptly and openly.	
			I actively encourage and support learning within my teams and colleagues.	

## NOS

NOS Unit	Unit Name	Unit Description