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Criminal assets explored during policing seminar

The implications of recovering assets from convicted criminals will be discussed by finance and crime experts from Northumbria University during a free seminar this week.

The event is the latest in a series of lectures organised by Northumbria University's Police Research and Education Network, during which academics researching different elements of modern policing will present their findings.

The seminar will focus on the measures introduced in the UK and elsewhere

in recent years to recover assets, the implications for practice in terms of those targeted and assets recovered, and the extent to which police and other regulators are well placed to act.

The seminar will be delivered by Jackie Harvey, Professor of Financial Management and Director of Business Research at Newcastle Business School, and Dr Peter Sproat, Senior Lecturer in Financial Crime within Newcastle Business School.

Professor Harvey said: “Asset recovery has provided a hugely powerful tool for law enforcement and our talk will consider the evidence on its use and effectiveness to date.”

Dr Sproat added: “Unexplained Wealth Orders are the latest development in the field so it is equally important to consider how they will be deployed.”

Northumbria University has been assessed as world-leading and internationally-excellent for its research in evidence-based policing, with research themes including Cybercrime & IT, Forensic Science & Police Cooperation, Police Organisation & Staff and Policing & Vulnerability.

Working in partnership with the police and other agencies, in the North East as well as nationally and internationally, the University’s outstanding breadth and depth of expertise in contemporary policing is providing wide-ranging, cutting-edge science and applied research that informs policy and practice.

The Expert Evidence seminar takes place on Wednesday 17 January from 5pm to 6.30pm at Newcastle Business School. For more information on this, and other seminars in the series, and to book a place, please visit the Northumbria University [Police Research and Education Network](#) page.

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