

Terms of Reference


Opal's purpose is to **enhance and develop intelligence** associated with **serious organised acquisitive crime (SOAC)** undertaken by **organised criminals** whose offending can be distinguished by the utilisation of **cross-border mobility** as a key enabler.

Aims

Key Crime Areas

- **Burglary,**  **Provide a better understanding and awareness** of existing and emerging SOAC threats and trends across the UK.
- **Organised Retail Crime,**  **Utilise a multi-agency partnership approach** to identify, target and disrupt organised criminal networks.
- **Robbery,**  **Discover and develop intelligence** to provide a comprehensive understanding of threat, harm and risk posed by SOAC.
- **Metal & Infrastructure,**  **Co-ordinate intelligence** at a regional, national and international level.
- **Vehicle Crime,**  **Identify and share good practice,** learning across police and partner agencies.
- **Plant & Agricultural Crime**  **Raise confidence within communities** in law enforcements response to SOAC.


How Can Partners Assist?



Assist Opal in collating data from multiple sources to understand the national picture.



Join national crime working groups and attend forums / suggest topics for discussion.



Work collaboratively with clear tasking requests allow for appropriate resource allocation.



Work with Opal to develop strategy and share Opal products with colleagues.



Make Opal aware of OCGs involved in SOAC offending.



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