

on any of the other enquiries. Most officers have multiple skills and are not solely utilised on the same type of activity for each investigation. I was not asked to complete the interview due to the fact that I am an interview advisor.

6. DC Holt and I were asked to obtain a further account from Port. This was completed with several further lines of enquiry identified e.g. dating sites used, email accounts, passwords, Facebook details, location and description of items in his flat. It was not an appropriate time to challenge Port's account because there was a lack of further evidence on which to challenge him, including the post-mortem result, toxicology and other evidence including CCTV, phone and computer enquiries. DC Holt asked the questions and I took handwritten notes which I subsequently provided to the Senior Investigating Officer (A/DI McCarthy) on Borough to assist in their investigation together with a full typed summary of the interview.
7. It was my expectation that after completion of further enquiries and review of all the evidence obtained that a further interview of Port would take place. At that point, once the evidence had been acquired, Port could have been properly challenged in relation to the account he provided, any inconsistencies & the evidence obtained. This is in line with the standard interviewing framework and does not require an interview advisor to determine this.
8. On that occasion I was not specifically deployed as an interview advisor, just as part of an interview team. It would not be my decision as to how I was deployed, it is the decision of a more senior officer.
9. A Tier 5 interview advisor, acting specifically in that role, is usually deployed in cases which are either particularly complex or are required to co-ordinate a case involving multiple suspects in custody. At the stage of my involvement in this case, there was one person in custody requiring an interview so it would be unusual to be deployed as an interview advisor in such a case. My role was to interview Port as part of the HAT car support to the local CID.
10. After the interview with Port, I had no further part in the investigation which was under the conduct and control of the local borough's senior investigating officer.

**Statement of Truth**