

**Ref 138 James Sharp            £1,422.00**

Method of identification & investigation

Cheque returned by bank and traced back to original ledger postings which showed it had been given the narrative "CHEQUE TO J SHARP" and charged to a company account.

Factors causing suspicion

The only tenant with the name Sharp vacated in 1998. It is extremely unlikely that they would be due a repayment two years later and this would not be due from a company account.

The cheque is payable to James Sharp & Co who are the stockbrokers used by M J Robinson personally. The reverse of the cheque is marked with the reference " H Armstrong".

During the investigation the contract note to which the payment related was obtained from James Sharp & Co. This showed that the shares bought were for Hickson International Plc. The note was addressed to Helen Armstrong and were given the client reference ARMH0010.

The cheque in all respects was computer printed save for the payee which was handwritten afterwards and signed by Helen Armstrong.

Conclusion

Personal expenditure deliberately given a misleading narrative and charged to a company account.



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Date 03/04/00

| Pay the sum of pounds |                   |           |          |      |       | To the order of |
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| Hundreds of Thousands | Tens of Thousands | Thousands | Hundreds | Tens | Units |                 |
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For and on behalf of  
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