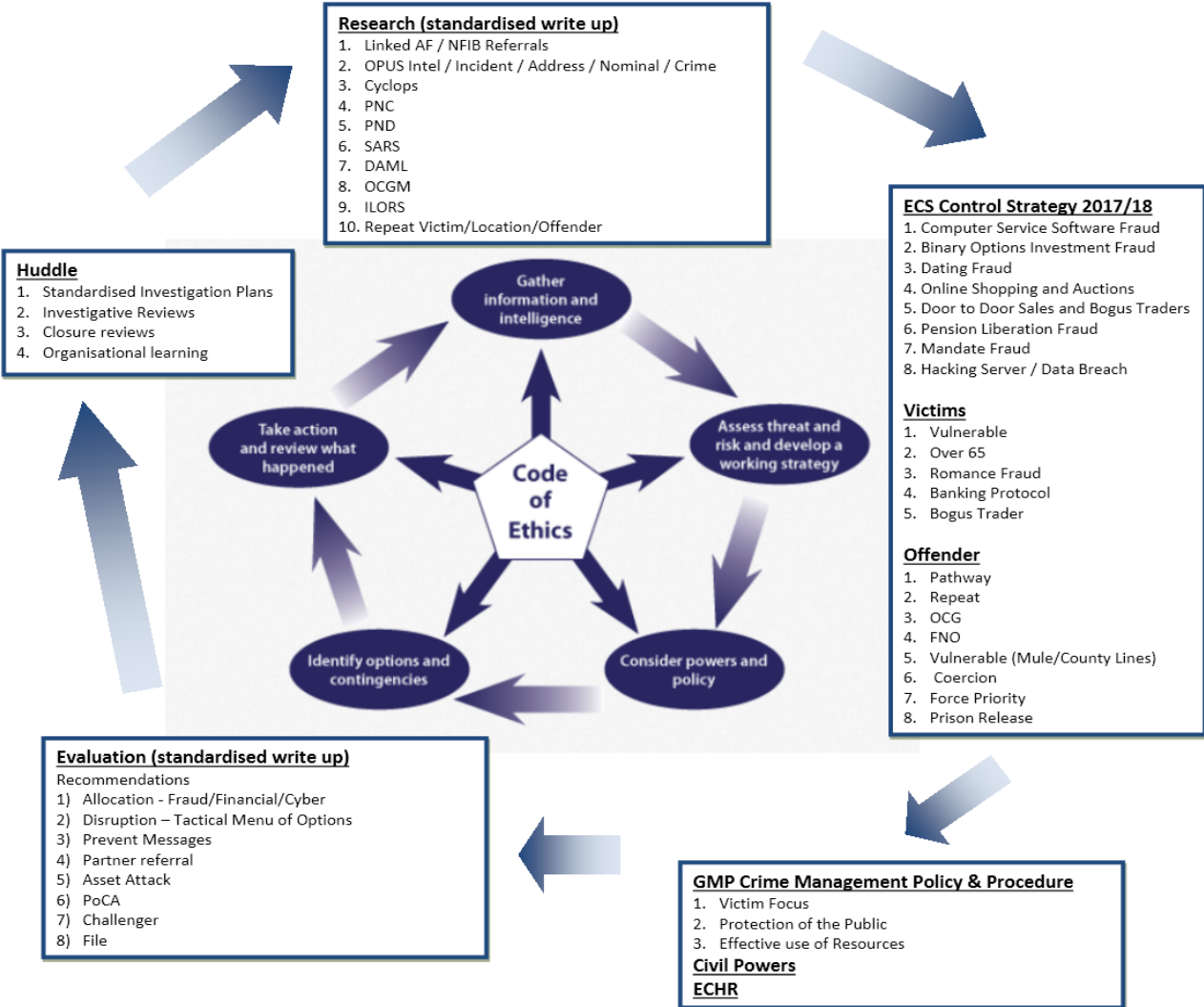


**Appendix 2 – GMPs Cyber and Economic Crime – Decision Model**

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**CYBER & ECONOMIC CRIME – DECISION MODEL**



- College of Policing – Rick Principles (APP)**
- 1) The willingness to make decisions in conditions of uncertainty is a core professional requirement of all members of the police service.
  - 2) Maintaining or achieving the safety, security and wellbeing of individuals and communities is a primary consideration in risk decision making.
  - 3) Risk taking involves judgement and balance. Decision makers are required to consider the value and likelihood of the possible benefits of a particular decision against the seriousness and likelihood of the possible harms.
  - 4) Harm can never be totally prevented. Risk decisions should, therefore, be judged by the quality of the decision making, not by the outcome.
  - 5) Making risk decisions, and reviewing others' risk decision making, is difficult. This needs to take into account whether they involved dilemmas or emergencies, were part of a sequence of decisions or might appropriately be taken by other agencies.
  - 6) The standard expected and required of members of the police service is that their risk decisions should be consistent with those a body of officers of similar rank, specialism or experience would have taken in the same circumstances.
  - 7) Whether to record a decision is a risk decision in itself which should be left to professional judgement. The decision whether or not to make a record, and the extent of that record, should be made after considering the likelihood of harm occurring and its seriousness.
  - 8) To reduce risk aversion and improve decision making, policing needs a culture that learns from successes as well as failures. Good risk taking should be identified, recognised and shared.
  - 9) Since good risk taking depends on quality information, the police service will work with partner agencies and others to share relevant information about those who pose risk or those who are vulnerable to the risk of harm.
  - 10) Members of the police who make decisions consistent with these principles should receive the encouragement, approval and support of their organisation.