

# You will incur additional accountancy fees in the event of an HMRC investigation even if you've done nothing wrong.

## **HMRC FACTS**

**£33 Billion** is the estimated tax gap between what HMRC should collect and what it does collect.

**£17.5 Billion** of the tax gap is attributed to Small Businesses (£14.1bn) and Individuals (£3.4bn).

**Tax and VAT Investigations** are a key tool in reducing this deficit.

HMRC identify and target areas where they believe tax is at risk. They use sophisticated software to cross match a wide range of data sources, any anomalies can lead to an investigation. They do of course continue to carry out random investigations.



### **IMPACT ON YOU**

HMRC investigations are time consuming, stressful and costly.

Investigations can last for many months. During this time you will incur additional accountancy fees as well as having to deal with inevitable disruption and uncertainty. These fees will still be due regardless of the outcome and dealing with HMRC on your own often makes matters worse.

# PROTECT YOURSELF, REMOVE THE STRESS

The best defence to an HMRC investigation is to engage professional representation from your accountant from the outset. The service will safeguard you from the cost of the accountancy fees associated with a tax investigation giving you peace of mind.

### **HOW THE TAX INVESTIGATION SERVICE WORKS**

In the unfortunate event that you are selected for investigation you can relax safe in the knowledge that there will be no additional accountancy fees to pay.

Our service provides professional representation for up to £100,000 of fees relating to your investigation.

- We have the expertise and experience to deal with HMRC on your behalf.
- Early intervention can lead to early resolution.
- Additional tax due can be avoided or mitigated.

# ANY HMRC RETURN CAN BE SELECTED FOR AN INVESTIGATION.

### **ARE YOU IN BUSINESS?**

We realise how important the management of your staff is to the continued growth and development of your business.

That is why, as part of our tax investigation service in partnership with Croner Taxwise, you get access to an HR, employment law and health & safety advice line, exclusively for you.

This team of dedicated business consultants can assist with immediate issues and advise on proactive measures you can take to improve your business, such as:

- Advice on creating watertight documentation such as staff contracts, policies and procedures.
- Managing your staff absences.
- Dealing with disciplinary and grievance issues.
- Carrying out redundancies.
- Negotiating settlement agreements.
- Understanding TUPE transfers.

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