<u>TUFF AWARENESS DAY – 19 SEPTEMBER 2018</u>

The first TUFF Awareness Day of 2018 occurred on 19 September. It was good to be back at the Union Jack Club after (in my case) a hiatus of more than 10 years and a pleasure to meet members (new and not so new).

We were fortunate to have secured interesting, thought-provoking speakers whose presentations prompted stimulating discussion. By the end of the day we had all learned something new about fraud challenges (and criminal opportunity) in parallel sectors.

TUFF also took the opportunity to launch its revamped website, provide a detailed brief on the GDPR, our status as a Specified Anti-Fraud Organisation (SAFO) and hold an AGM. All in all a busy day.

Feedback on the event has been encouraging, providing a sound base on which to build subsequent Awareness Days. As ever, TUFF members are invited to let me know the sort of presentations or speakers they would like to see at future events.

Finally, I would like to thank all of those who joined us in Waterloo last month. We are a unique organisation in so many ways, let's continue to build on our strengths.

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