

# CRIME <sup>YOUR</sup> UPDATE PREVENTION



Update from the Force Crime Prevention Team

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## Dragonfly Project (Paragon)

The Dragonfly Project offers training for community members who want to offer signposting and support for people affected by domestic abuse. Dragonfly champions are trained to provide a listening ear and act as a link to domestic abuse support agencies so that people who are isolated have access to help.



To find out more or to sign up to one of the workshops (run virtually via MS Teams) please visit:

<https://paragonteam.org.uk/dragonfly-project/>

## Bank Impersonation / Safe Account Scams ([takefive-stopfraud.org.uk](https://takefive-stopfraud.org.uk))

This type of scam often begins with a phone call from someone claiming to be from your bank's fraud team enquiring if several payments on your account were actually made by you.

A criminal might then say if you don't recognise the payments then your bank account is at risk / has been compromised, and they need you to move your money to a 'safe account' to protect it. The 'safe account' will actually belonged to the criminal.

We are seeing a number of victims receive a scam NHS text (to order LFT/PCRs), the victim sends them their bank details, and then they receive a bank impersonation phone call.

### **ALWAYS REMEMBER:**

Your bank or the police will never ask you to transfer money to a safe account or ask for your full PIN, password or passcode.

## Enough Campaign



The Government have launched a campaign called '[Enough](#)' which is aimed at everyone to help reduce violence against women and girls in society.

We can all do our bit to keep women and girls safe by recognising behaviour and calling it out.

For more information please visit: [Home | VAWG \(campaign.gov.uk\)](#)

## THINK! Road Safety Campaign: Mobiles 2022

THINK! has launched a new campaign to reduce handheld phone use amongst young drivers which coincides with a strengthening of the law around mobile phone use behind the wheel.

If you use a handheld phone behind the wheel you can get a fine of up to £1000, 6 points on your licence, and a driving ban.

[www.think.gov.uk/campaign/mobiles-2022/](http://www.think.gov.uk/campaign/mobiles-2022/)



## Doorstep crime

### Action Fraud figures from 2021:

- 5,228 reported cases of door-to-door sales / rogue traders
- £25.8m is the total loss from these reported cases
- 70 – 79 and 30 – 39 are the two most common age groups reported to be victims



Doorstep crime refers to rogue traders, bogus callers and distraction burglary. This type of crime includes people that knock on your door offering fraudulent services, being overcharged for services, as well as false use of logos or ID that appear to be genuine.

Visit the Buy with Confidence website where businesses listed have been vetted and approved by Trading Standards.

For more information on Doorstep crime visit:

[www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/doorstepcrime](http://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/doorstepcrime)



## Crime prevention tips for Spring

1. Ensure that doors and windows at the front of your home are secure if you are enjoying time in the garden.
2. Make sure tools, ladders and spades are securely locked away so they can't be used to break into your home.
3. Consider adding a trellis to garden fences to discourage anyone climbing over. They can act as a deterrent as they are tricky to climb over, breaking easily and noisily.

## National Stalking Awareness Week 25-29 April 2022

The week will highlight the vital role that stalking advocates play in bridging the gap between the victim and the criminal justice system.

Visit the Suzy Lamplugh Trust

for more information: [National Stalking Awareness Week 2022 |](#)

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