

Courier Fraud Warning

Hampshire Constabulary is asking residents to be vigilant about courier fraud after an increase in incidents in Alresford and Farnborough, with one resident losing more than £6,500 to fraudsters.

This type of fraud commonly involves an unexpected call from someone who claims to be a police officer or a staff member from a bank, HMRC, internet or phone provider. They then tell the victim that their account is subject to fraud and request that they assist them with the ongoing investigation.



Please remember that:

1. Police officers, banks and other organisations such as HMRC will never call people in this way and ask you to withdraw money or disclose personal or financial information.
2. If someone calls claiming to be a police officer, ask for their ID number and police force. A genuine police officer will not mind waiting while you phone 101 to check.
3. Never hand money or your bank card/pin to someone at the door to be sent off elsewhere.

Anti-social behaviour on and around the water

Hampshire Constabulary's Marine Unit will continue to carry out [Operation Wavebreaker](#), addressing anti-social behaviour in, on & around the water. If you see anyone putting others at risk or in difficulty at the coast, call 999 and ask for the Coastguard.



Booking a last minute break?

Beware of 'too good to be true' deals.

Where possible, use a credit card when making purchases over £100 and up to £30,000 as you receive protection under Section 75 of the Consumer Credit Act.



One Eighty – New website for young people

Wondering what to do with your free time? One Eighty helps you find your activity, event, group, course, or just a fun place to hang out where and when you want to.

Visit the website at www.oneeighty.live



Reporting Graffiti

Not only is graffiti a criminal offence, but very often it causes great harm and offence to communities within Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

If your own property has been targeted, report this to us [online](#) as an incidence of criminal damage.



Graffiti seen on land, buildings or structures owned or managed by the council should be reported to the [relevant local authority](#) and graffiti on utility company property (e.g. bus shelters, railway bridges) should be reported directly to the company responsible for the upkeep, rather than the council.

Licensed Waste Carriers

When disposing of waste you must use a [licensed waste carrier](#), or take it to a registered site. You could be fined an unlimited amount by the local council if your waste ends up fly-tipped.



Pet Fraud

Action Fraud is reminding animal lovers to take extra care when buying a pet online, as new figures show more than £2.5 million has been lost to criminals through fake pet adverts.

Visit their [website](#) to find out more.



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