

Fraud by Abuse of Position

[This type of fraud](#) involves an individual in a position of trust or authority (this could include a family member or someone acting in a professional capacity, like a nurse) who intentionally abuses that role to make a personal gain or cause a financial loss to someone else.

Here are some practical steps you can take to protect vulnerable family members or friends against financial abuse by someone in a position of trust:

Tell the police about
cyber crime and fraud at
reportfraud.police.uk or
by calling **0300 123 2040**

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Reviewing financial statements: review their financial statements with them on a regular basis to identify any unauthorised transactions.

Watch for warning signs: speak with them about any unpaid bills, missing possessions, sudden changes to a will or account.

Act quickly if something feels wrong: if you suspect abuse, speak to the person privately if safe to do so. You can also raise a safeguarding concern with the local authority's adult social care team, if a solicitor or deputy may be misusing their role, concerns can also be reported to the Office of the Public Guardian.

Deer Vehicle Collisions



We are raising awareness of Deer Vehicle Collisions (DVC), as we tend to see an increase during the rutting season, which runs from September to November. So far this year we have had 492 reports of deer being struck on Hampshire roads. If you hit a deer please do not approach or handle the animal – call 999 immediately.

Watch the video below we have produced alongside The British Deer Society, to learn a bit more about these animals and DVC, and for more details on how to be deer aware whilst driving please visit our webpage: <https://orlo.uk/yLNbU>

Knife Surrender Bins in Hampshire & IOW

You can find knife surrender bins across the two counties listed on the [Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary](#) page. Designated surrender points are situated in Aldershot, Andover, Basingstoke, Fareham, Gosport, Havant, Lymington, Portsmouth, Southampton, Winchester, and Park Gate.



Trusted Adults

The Trusted Adults Campaign aims to raise awareness that every adult has a role to play in protecting children and young people from serious violence and exploitation. Sometimes, noticing that something is wrong, listening without judgement and showing you care, can make all the difference to a young person in crisis.



A trusted adult is someone a child or young person chooses to confide in. They listen without judgement, offer reassurance, and help young people access the appropriate support. A trusted adult is not a job title or a qualification. It can be anyone from a youth worker to a parent or a sports coach. Simply put, it could be you.

The Campaign films bring together the voices of young people and trusted adults to explore what these meaningful relationships look like in real life, as well as their personal advice. Film 1 can be found [HERE](#). Film 2 can be found [HERE](#). Find out more: www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/trustedadults

Deep Fake and AI Scams

A deepfake is a fake video, voice or photo of a real person, made using artificial intelligence (AI). It can show someone saying or doing things they never did. AI can also invent people who don't exist at all. These fakes are cheap and easy to make. A criminal can copy someone's voice from a few seconds of a video posted online. Criminals also use AI to write scam messages in perfect English, by the thousand. These fakes are very convincing. Research shows even careful listeners cannot reliably tell a cloned voice from a real one. Being blindsided by one says nothing about

Protect yourself: five things to set up today

1. Agree a code word with your family that a criminal could not know.
2. Save the real numbers of your bank and close family, and remember 159: the safe way to reach your bank's fraud team from any phone.
3. Make a rule: no urgent money request gets an answer within the hour. Real emergencies survive a pause. Scams don't.
4. Check things some other way, using a number or website you already know is real.
5. Tell the people around you about these scams. Someone who has heard of voice cloning is very hard to scam with it.

your intelligence. [This factsheet by Friends Against Scams and the Deep Truth Project](#) shows you how criminals use them, and the simple habits that beat them.

Heading to University? Keep your property secure

New place, new people, new routine — and probably quite a lot of valuable kit coming with you. A few simple habits can help:

- Keep laptops, phones and other valuables out of sight
- Mark and Register your bicycle at [BikeRegister](#)
- Photograph and register your belongings for free at www.immobilise.com



For more information visit: [Keeping your student digs and gear secure at university](#)