

Buckden Neighbourhood Watch

Report to the Annual Parish Assembly Tuesday 25 th May 2021.

With lockdown restrictions being progressively lifted people have been getting together outside and starting to return to higher levels of gatherings.

From research approximately 55% of people feel anxious or apprehensive about socialising without restrictions.

During lockdown the community came together to support each other which proved there are lot of good people who care for their families and friends and the wider community.

But scammer is not good person and used the coronavirus (covid 19) to use number of scams to use fraud to take money , savings from residents.

The scammer used telephone calls, texts to seek information of your account details, national insurance number, recorded messages speaking of fraudulent activity on your account, on your broadband account and credit card account.

I have found if you receive text or telephone call take step back for few minutes there is usually clue it is scam for example. " you have fraudulent activity on your account press 1 to speak to Security Officer " not term recognise in banking in this country.

When you receive telephone call the caller asks " for your name and for personal account details which bank your account is with ".

There are two crimes on the increase in Cambridgeshire car theft please protect your car by locking the doors, park in well lit area or locked garage, and hide any items on show which have value.

Second crime on the increase is dog theft the most commonly stolen dog breeds Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Crossbreed, French Bulldog, Chihuahua and Jack Russell.

The family dog is important part of the family it is important to be vigilant.

Practical guide to crime prevention is so important for your family, your home, your possessions and your community

Personal safety is by taking sensible precautions walk well lit areas do not take short cuts through dark alleys.

Personal possessions ensure you know where money plastic cards and mobile phone are do not display in the open.

Your home and garage ensure are locked doors and windows with security lighting.

Crime levels are low but still do not want to be victim of crime MAKE IT HARD TO GET YOUR STUFF

Visit to the Cambridgeshire Police website will give you ways to report crime and information on the police force's online web chat function.

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