



Community Focus Fraud Discussion

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| Fraud – the problem



- Covid 19 pandemic – an unexpected consequence?
- Increased online access by all
- Social isolation
- Anyone can be a victim
- Impact - Mental health and emotional wellbeing



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Fraud – how is it happening?



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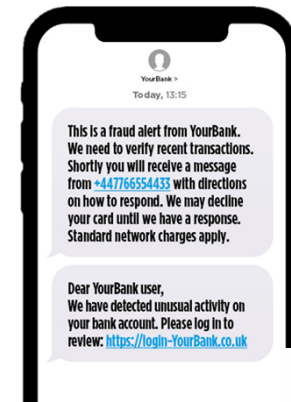
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Emails



Telephone Calls

Text/whatsapp message



Social Media



Bogus Callers

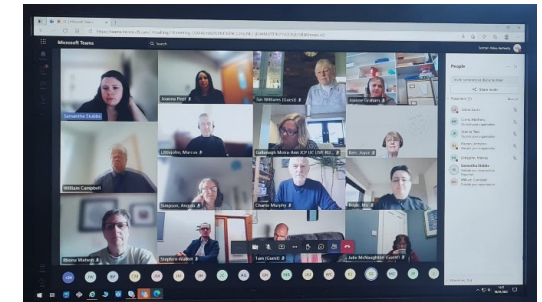


Fraud – what are we doing?



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- Cared for at home network created
- Call Blockers and printed materials
- Regular Social media posts
- Alerts on Neighbourhood Watch Scotland
- Email of advice to victims of cyber-related scams



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| Fraud – next steps



- Pledge to Stop Scams - “Ask” of each partner and community group to consider how they can help stop scams within our communities, including:
 - Complete the free online training to become a Friend Against Scams and encourage your staff, family and friends to do likewise.
www.FriendsAgainstScams.org.uk/elearning/ArgyllBute
 - Sign up Neighbourhood Watch Scotland to receive alerts for Argyll and Bute from your work account and share where possible. [:: Neighbourhood Watch Scotland Registration :: \(neighbourhoodalert.co.uk\)](http://neighbourhoodalert.co.uk)
- **WHAT CAN YOU DO to help??**

