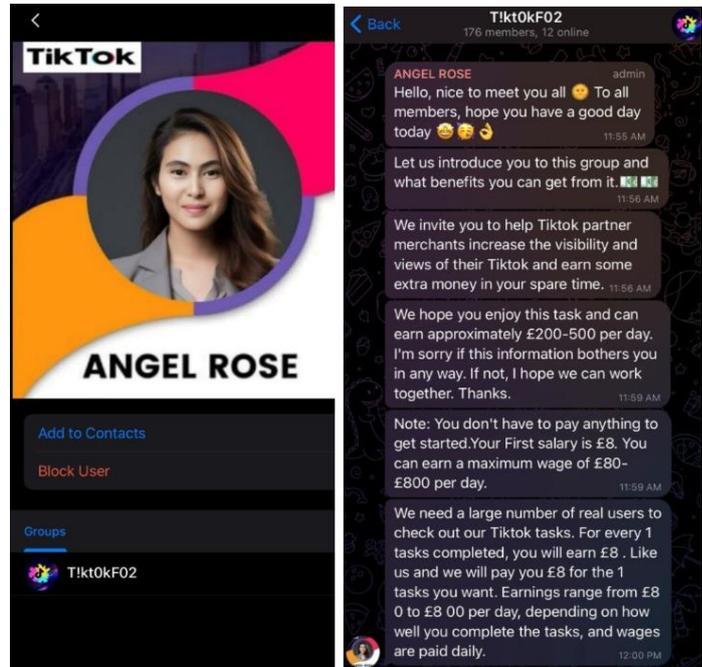


Social media job scams

We are seeing an increase in scams which involve individuals being recruited via social media for fake job opportunities, which might include tasks such as **'liking' videos/posts, writing reviews or making payments for completed tasks.**

Victims believe they are completing legitimate commission based work. Sometimes victims are instructed to send money to other individuals, or unknowingly receive money from other victims of fraud and are asked to make payments themselves with the promise of larger returns.



How to spot job fraud:

- **Vague job descriptions:** Be wary if the job looks unclear or lacks specific responsibilities.
- **Informal channels:** Contact is often through messaging apps, social media or personal email.
- **Unusual salary promises:** If a salary seems too high for the task, it could be a scam.
- **For further advice:** [The rise of job offer scams | Take Five](#)

You can report a scam to Report Fraud: 📞 0300 123 2040 🔗 <https://www.reportfraud.police.uk/>

Livestock worrying



Sheep across the county will soon be bearing lambs and we are urging people to take care now to ensure they are not disturbing pregnant ewes. Whilst the majority of dog walkers are responsible, there are a minority who put the welfare of other animals at risk. When walking with your dog keep these key points in mind to help with the welfare of sheep:

- Keep dogs on leads or under close control around livestock.
- If there is no livestock nearby, keep your dog in sight at all times and be confident it will return when called.
- It is a criminal offence for a dog to actively worry livestock and the owner can be prosecuted.

How to screen calls on smartphones

You don't need extra apps or technical know-how to fight scam calls, as your smartphone already has features designed to stop them. If you own an Android you can use Google Assistant to screen calls automatically. If you have an iPhone you can use Apple's Call Screening feature. Which? have produced a step by step guide, which also includes tips for landlines:

[How to screen calls on your iPhone, Android phone and landline](#)



Cuckooing: Spot the signs

[Hampshire Safeguarding Adults Board](#) have created new guidance and awareness on cuckooing, which is when a person's home is taken over, often linked to illegal activities such as drug dealing. It can lead to a person no longer having control or feeling safe in their own home.

Frequent visitors and new housemates	Increased attendance of cars, bikes, scooters etc. for short periods of time	A number of deliveries arriving at the property by various means	Unknown persons having keys and/or pressing buzzers to gain access, communal doors left propped open
Increased antisocial behaviour, groups gathering, increased noise and litter	Unusual or increased signs of drug use, smells or drug litter	Coercive control, being accompanied or controlled by a 'friend'	Fewer family and/or social support visits and withdrawing from social activities

If you are worried about someone being cuckooed report it to police on 101 or online: [Report a crime | Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary](#). In an emergency always dial 999. You can also report anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or online [Independent UK charity taking crime information anonymously | Crimestoppers](#)

Training: stand up against harassment

The Suzy Lamplugh Trust are offering free 30-minute Active Bystander training to give people the skills and confidence to intervene safely if they witness someone being harassed. [Stand Up Against Harassment Training | Suzy Lamplugh Trust](#)

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Free cyber-resilience resource for businesses

Any business, charity, public authority, or organisation has access to a free service designed to help protect from cybercrime. These centres offer access to training, tools and guidance that help to identify and fix vulnerabilities before criminals exploit them.

[Cyber Resilience Centre](#)



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