



Crime Prevention - Coronavirus

CUMBRIANS have been told to be on their guard against cold callers, as increasing numbers of people find themselves largely housebound over the coming weeks.

Cumbria Trading Standards has advised residents to be extra vigilant of the threat posed by telephone scammers who may be more likely to target the increasing numbers of people at home as a result of the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19).

In a social media post, the consumer body said: "Scams could include bogus health products, offers to check for coronavirus in your home & false claims about a new government tax refund programme."

The County's Trading Standards Authority urged people to speak to the elderly and most vulnerable over the course of the coming weeks as a means to inform potential targets of the risks they could face.

In addition I would strongly suggest that you should never hand over your Bank Card/Credit Card and or PIN number to anyone who is offering to do shopping

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