

TRADING STANDARDS **ALERT!**

Courier Fraud Don't be Called

Alert 4.3

16 May 2022

Following reports, **Bromley Trading Standards** is warning residents about cold telephone calls where the caller, falsely, claims to be from the Police or your bank investigating fraudulent activity.

A courier will visit your home, or the fraudster will make other arrangements with you, to collect cash - in a recent incident in another currency - or your bank card, from you.

Remember: just because the caller knows some details about you does NOT make them a genuine caller, so please don't verify, or give out, anything.

If you get a phone call that you are not expecting:

- HANG UP immediately
- Leave it a good while (or better still use another phone) and call your bank to check your account is secure – You can call 159 to speak securely and directly to your bank or otherwise use a trusted number from your bank card or statement.

For more information see - Courier fraud | Action Fraud

REPORT - Protect others by reporting incidents.

- < Report scams to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or www.actionfraud.police.uk
- < Contact Citizens Advice for help and advice about scams on 0808 223 1133.

You can also visit www.Bromley.gov.uk/scams

Take FIVE to STOP Fraud.

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