

Kent Fraud Alert System



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Fake Text Message currently circulating

A Kent resident has reported receiving the below message.

This is a scam and by clicking on the link, you will be taken to a realistic looking website under the control of criminals, seeking to steal your financial and personal data.

If you receive this message, you can report it by forwarding to 7726.

If you think that you may have been a victim of any other type of scam, then contact your Bank immediately, which you can do by calling 159 and report it to Action Fraud at www.actionfraud.police.uk or call 0300 123 2040.

For further information about Fraud, visit our website at [Advice about fraud | Kent Police](#)

You will also find valuable information from the Home Office at [Stop! Think Fraud - How to stay safe from scams](#)



Your order has serious quality problems, so we will refund you. Please check it as soon as possible.

<https://shorturl.at/1cHL3?GJh=nxz9l6Ndyw>

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Winter Heating Subsidy Scams

Criminals are actively using both text messages and emails to try and steal bank details by playing on older people's concerns about the Winter Fuel Payment.

The emails and texts will ask you to click on a link, however, the link does not redirect you to the UK Government website or anything to do with Winter Fuel Payments and instead takes you to a realistic website under the control of the criminals, where they will steal your personal and financial data.

Most eligible recipients will get the Winter Fuel Payment automatically. You should have received a letter in the post between October and November stating how much you will receive. If you think you are eligible but have not heard anything, then check this Government Web Page to find out more [Winter Fuel Payment: Eligibility - GOV.UK](#)

If you receive a text message like this, you can report it by forwarding to 7726 or if it is an email by forwarding to report@phishing.gov.uk

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BEWARE "Phishing" Risk!

11:00, 28 Oct

Winter Heating Subsidy Reminder:
Winter is coming, and we will continue to issue winter heating subsidies to help you survive this cold winter smoothly.
Since you are eligible to apply, please update your information in the link after reading the information.
https://tinyurl.com/462nrk45?_k=iitsH

Thank you for your support of the UK Government.

KEEP CALM
AND
DON'T CLICK LINKS YOU DON'T KNOW



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12 Frauds of Christmas

This week marks the start of Action Frauds annual Christmas Campaign, when we will be highlighting various fraud types to keep you safe from scams. So you will be receiving a few more alerts this month.

Find out more: [Make sure you have a #FraudFreeXmas: Action Fraud reveal 12 fraud types to look out for this Christmas | Action Fraud](#)

Below are the first 2 fraud types to be aware of.

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Follow our top tips to stay safe this festive season

Find out more

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Number 1 of 12 frauds of Christmas – Phishing

Received a message that seems suspicious?

Fraudsters put a lot of effort into making fake messages look real, report it by forwarding for FREE to 7726.

You can also report suspicious emails to report@phishing.gov.uk

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Follow our advice

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Claim your free prize before it's too late!



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Number 2 of 12 Frauds of Christmas - Pet Fraud

Thinking of adding a furry friend to the family this Christmas? If you are buying online:

- Do your research.
- Trust your instincts.
- Choose secure payment options, like a credit card.

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Watch out for pet fraud this festive season

Buy safely now 

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