Ask for advice to help stamp out scams

You can now ask advice about scams when visiting a Post Office. Remember, if you can spot a scam, you can stop a scam and if it seems too good to be true, it probably is.

Counter staff

If you're worried that you might have been contacted by scammers, you can tell Post Office counter staff. They will advise if the request you have received is unusual or if it's a scam they have come across before.

Scams are not simply an issue for older or vulnerable people, they can happen to anyone regardless of age.

Unfortunately there's a scam out there with each of our names on it.

Scammers' sophistication and ability to exploit complex technology has developed over the years. They continue to groom vulnerable victims through sometimes even the threat of arrest or prosecution.

You can find out more advice and information about scams at this link:

Report a scam

Many people who are scammed feel they are to blame to falling for it, but it's not their fault.

Reporting scams is vitally important, as:

- it helps catch fraudsters
- it can help to alert others and prevent them from falling victim

If you have – or know someone who has – been a victim of a scam or fraud, no matter how small, you should report it to the <u>PSNI</u>, <u>online to</u> <u>Consumerline</u> or <u>Action Fraud</u>.

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