



Warrington Trading Standards– Consumer Alert Network

Warning about: Distraction Burglary

Background

Police are warning residents to be on their guard after a lady in the Winwick area was the victim of a distraction burglary. The male bogus callers told the lady that an explosion had occurred nearby and they would need to check the water supply. After the callers had left, the lady realised that they had been through her belonging and called the Police.

Trading Standards have also been made aware of similar incidents when two males claiming to be from United Utilities tried to gain access to a house in the Penketh area. On this occasion the callers did not gain access to the property.

Warning

Please be very careful who you let into your home. Use door viewers and chains and check identification. No genuine caller will mind waiting. Distraction burglars will use all kinds of lies to try and gain access They can be male or female, old and young, even children. If you have any doubt at all do not let the caller in.

Advice

If you need assistance or wish to provide information please contact the Police on 0845 458 0000

Further information

For further information please contact Trading Standards on 08454 040506

www.TSwarrington.co.uk

Tradingstandards@warrington.gov.uk

Visit www.TSwarrington.co.uk/iCAN to download the ten most recent messages in flyer format

Promoting fair & safe trading, protecting you

1 November 2007

Warrington Borough Council





Warrington Trading Standards– Consumer Alert Network

Promoting fair & safe trading, protecting you

1 November 2007

Warrington Borough Council

