



Warning about: Doorstep Crime Incident

Background

Residents across Warrington and Halton are advised to be on their guard following an incident yesterday in the Irwell Road/Gainsborough Road area of Warrington, WA4 postcode.

An elderly resident was approached by a man in a transit van who was reported touring the area offering roofing repairs. The resident was told by the trader that he would return later to carry out the work and that it wouldn't cost him very much.

When the trader returned the resident declined to have the work carried out but was told that it had actually been done and there was a cost of £400. The resident told the trader that no work had been carried out whilst he was in the house and that he would call the Police to report the incident. The trader drove off.

Please be alert to this type of activity in your area. Advice from Trading Standards is not to do business with anyone who knocks on your door and tells you work is needed on your property.

If you see or experience anything suspicious please contact:

Consumer Direct 08454 040506 or online at www.consumerdirect.gov.uk
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