



WARNING: Doorstep Callers

There have been several reports from Cheshire residents of ex-offenders selling products and services door-to-door. They claim to be working on a Probation Service-approved doorstep selling scheme.

Cheshire Probation Service has confirmed that they do not involve offenders in any type of doorstep scheme.

Trading Standards would advise residents not to buy from any person claiming to be part of this project. If you are targeted by someone saying they are part of this scheme politely refuse their business and contact the Police by telephoning the non-emergency number 101.

Residents should remain vigilant at all times and please remember, do not allow unexpected callers claiming to be officials into your home without first checking that they are genuine.

You can check the validity of the caller by contacting the organisation they claim to be from but remember, never use the number provided by an unsolicited caller to check authenticity. If you have any doubts whatsoever **do not allow access.**

Please pass this information to family members, friends, neighbours and anyone you think maybe vulnerable.

For general consumer advice please contact Consumer Direct on 08454 04 05 06 or go to <http://www.direct.gov.uk/>

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