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# SCAM TARGETING THE ELDERLY

## People are urged not to fall foul of police telephone scam

**Police are urging elderly and the wider public not to transfer funds to criminals involved in a bogus police officer scam.**

Over the past few months Humberside Police have received a large number of calls from elderly residents reporting being called by an unknown person pretending to be a police officer.

During the call the offender suggests the people called have been the victims of fraud and to contact their banks (providing them with a number to call).

When they call the bank (using the provided number) they are asked for their card details and personal data.

The victim then receives a further call from the bogus police officer suggesting they transfer their money to a police security account.

Fortunately the majority of people have become suspicious and called Humberside Police; however numerous people have transferred large sums of money.

Police would never ask members of the public to transfer or hand over money as the victim of fraud.

Following the incidents police are urging members of the public to:

- Never give out bank or personal details to strangers over the phone;
- Never withdraw money and give it to a stranger or transfer funds to an unknown accounts.

Anyone who thinks they may have received a call along these lines should report it to police on the non-emergency number 101.

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Local agencies working in this area will not tolerate anyone committing crime, causing anti-social behaviour or being responsible for environmental crime (littering, graffiti, etc) in your neighbourhood and **neither should you!**

For more information visit:

[www.humberside.police.uk](http://www.humberside.police.uk)

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