

# Criminals are exploiting vulnerable people by taking over their homes to deal drugs and commit other crimes



**Cuckooing** is where a criminal befriends an individual who lives on their own. The criminal then moves in and uses the property to operate unlawful activity. Victims are often lonely, isolated and vulnerable.

## Spotting the Signs



Increase of vehicles stopping at the property, often for short periods



Increase of anti-social behaviour around the property



Open drug dealing near the property



Not seeing the resident of the property as often



Increase of the number of people coming and going at various times of the day or night

## What to do if you are concerned about someone who might be a victim of cuckooing

### POLICE

In an emergency - Call: 999  
For non-emergency concerns -  
Call: 101 or make a report online

### ENFIELD COUNCIL

Call: 020 8379 1000 (non emergency)  
Email: [asbu@enfield.gov.uk](mailto:asbu@enfield.gov.uk)

Call: 020 8379 3196  
Email: [TheMashTeam@enfield.gov.uk](mailto:TheMashTeam@enfield.gov.uk)

### CRIMESTOPPERS

Anonymously report  
any concerns  
Call: 0800 555 111



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