

## Latest Neighbourhood Watch details

### To All Neighbourhood Watches in the Lancaster District

We have received the following information from Fleetwood Police Station. We have advised our communications teams and Neighbourhood Policing Teams. Trading Standards have a Rapid Response Strategy in place to leaflet any areas targeted.

No incidents have been reported in Lancaster district but please remain vigilant – take extra care during the warmer weather and keep your doors and windows secure when you are not occupying rooms.

Please contact us immediately if you come into contact with any of these doorstep traders – 01524 63333 or if you do feel under threat do not hesitate to use the emergency 999 number.

#### Fleetwood Warning as follows:

The alleged Portsmouth antique dealers are here again. They hit Poulton le Fylde on Tuesday and were quickly stopped and checked out providing us with the vehicle and details of the person involved. We had them in Wyre last year and once stop checked they quickly moved on. They have historically targeted quiet rural areas and good class residential areas and work in teams.

They are still using the same format as previous years on their leaflet ie folded over A3 with pictures of medals, jewellery, ornaments and clocks. It's interesting they are asking for them back once they revisit.

The Fleetwood NHW administrator has informed Lancashire Trading Standards who have had previous dealings and they are to put out a press release they also advised that **should we get any further reports can we let them know as they will get their RAPID RESPONSE TEAM to leaflet the area they have been targeting.**

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**MALE** SPOKEN TO OUTSIDE **HOUSE ON** LOWCROSS ROAD POULTON AFTER A REPORT OF A MALE THAT HAD BEEN KNOCKING ON DOORS IN THE AREA ASKING RESIDENTS IF THEY HAD ANY GOLD THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO SELL. RESIDENTS OF LOWCROSS ROAD STATED THAT A LEAFLET HAD BEEN POSTED THROUGH A FEW DAYS AGO AND THE MALE WAS ASKING THEM IF THEY HAD ANYTHING THEY WANTED TO SELL AND ASKING FOR THE LEAFLET BACK. LEAFLETS HAD ON THEM DOUGLAS CHARLES JEWELLERY AND FURNITURE BUYER WITH A PORTSMOUTH **ADDRESS** AND A CONTACT NUMBER ON THEM. **MALE** WAS DRIVING BLUE FORD PANEL VAN REG: **Partial Registration** FV--WGW. THEY LEAFLET DROP AN AREA POSSIBLY TARGETTING AREAS WHERE VULNERABLE ELDERLY PERSONS MAY RESIDE. THE LEAFLETS ARE ASKING FOR PHONE CALLS FROM ANYONE WISHING TO SELL ITEMS SUCH AS ANTIQUES AND JEWELLERY. HISTORIC **POLICE** INTELLEGENCE INDICATES THAT **THIS GENTLEMAN** MAY TRAVEL WITH OTHER MALES. THEY RETURN TO THAT AREA AND THAT COINCIDENTALLY ORNAMENTS FROM GARDENS AND THEFTS FROM INSIDE DWELLINGS MAY OCCUR.

