



NORTH WEST REGIONAL ORGANISED CRIME UNIT

The North West Regional Organised Crime Unit and is a collaboration between the six police forces in Cumbria, Cheshire, Lancashire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside and North Wales to tackle serious organised crime that crosses county borders in the region.

The Government state that by following these simple steps **the majority** of Cyber Crimes Can be **PREVENTED...**



Download software updates

Software and app updates contain vital security upgrades which help keep your devices secure



Use strong passwords

A strong password is your first defence against hackers and cyber criminals

Another great way to protect your business is by signing up to the Cyber-security Information Sharing Partnership (CiSP).



CiSP is a joint industry and government initiative set up to exchange cyber threat information in real time, in a secure, confidential and dynamic environment. Being a member of CiSP helps organisations increase situational awareness, reducing the impact on UK business.

Members make use of a wide range of products and services, sharing information via the Traffic Light Protocol to ensure confidentiality.

CiSP has over 9,000 individual members, from more than 3,000 organisations representing more than 25 different industrial sectors.

Interested in joining?

To be eligible to join, you must be an organisation responsible for the defence and administration of a UK-based electronic communications network. You must also be sponsored by an existing CiSP member, government department, or regional Cyber Protect officer/industry champion.

And best of all its totally FREE! For more information go to www.ncsc.gov.uk/cisp

~~~Sponsorship Details~~~

Name: **Protect Officers**

Organisation: **Titan ROCU**

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If you want to find out about other free government initiatives or sign up to our newsletter email us [Titan.Cyber.Protect@titan.police.uk](mailto:Titan.Cyber.Protect@titan.police.uk) or visit our website [www.nwrocu.police.uk/protecting-you/cybercrime](http://www.nwrocu.police.uk/protecting-you/cybercrime)



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### Useful Websites

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| <a href="http://www.actionfraud.police.uk">www.actionfraud.police.uk</a>                                                                          | <p>If you need to report a Cyber or Fraud Crime you will need to contact Action Fraud – they are the UK’s national fraud and cyber crime reporting centre.</p> <p><b><i>If you are reporting a ‘live’ Cyber Crime please make sure you phone 0300 123 2040 and choose option 9.</i></b></p>                                                                                                   |
| <a href="http://www.ncsc.gov.uk">www.ncsc.gov.uk</a><br><a href="https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/smallbusiness">https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/smallbusiness</a> | <p>Helping to make the UK the safest place to live and do business online. They have a Cyber Security for small business guide which helps improve cyber security quickly, easily and at low cost plus much more.</p>                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <a href="https://www.cyberessentials.ncsc.gov.uk/">https://www.cyberessentials.ncsc.gov.uk/</a>                                                   | <p>Cyber criminals are after your money, your data and your intellectual property. If you haven’t taken steps to protect yourself, take action now. It’s easy to get good, basic protection in place with Cyber Essentials.</p>                                                                                                                                                               |
| <a href="http://www.cyberaware.gov.uk">www.cyberaware.gov.uk</a>                                                                                  | <p>Find out about easy steps you can take to protect your home or business from cyber crime.</p> <p>Cyber Aware aims to drive behaviour change amongst small businesses and individuals, so that they adopt simple secure online behaviours to help protect themselves from cyber criminals: use strong passwords and always download the latest software updates as soon as they appear.</p> |
| <a href="http://www.getsafeonline.org">www.getsafeonline.org</a>                                                                                  | <p>Lots of awareness &amp; resource helping protect people, finances, devices and businesses from fraud, abuse and other issues encountered.</p> <p>Get Safe Online is a public / private sector partnership supported by HM Government and leading organisations in banking, retail, internet security and other sectors.</p>                                                                |
| <a href="https://HavelBeenPwned.com">https://HavelBeenPwned.com</a>                                                                               | <p>Check if you have an account that has been compromised in a data breach by searching on your email address or username.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <a href="http://www.NoMoreRansom.org">www.NoMoreRansom.org</a>                                                                                    | <p>Ransomware is malware that locks your computer and mobile devices or encrypts your electronic files. When this happens, you can’t get to the data unless you pay a ransom. However this is not guaranteed and you should never pay! This website gives you advice on how to protect yourself from this threat.</p>                                                                         |
| <a href="https://takefive-stopfraud.org.uk">https://takefive-stopfraud.org.uk</a>                                                                 | <p><b>Take Five</b> offers straight-forward and impartial advice to help everyone in the UK protect themselves against financial fraud.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <a href="http://www.net-aware.org.uk">www.net-aware.org.uk</a>                                                                                    | <p>From Facebook and Instagram to Snapchat and Tumblr a simple no-nonsense guide for parents and guardians from NSPCC and O2 to the social media, apps and games that everyone’s playing on.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                              |