

**Police are asking residents to look out for signs of 'cuckooing' when someone moves into the home of a vulnerable person in order to use it for themselves, sometimes for drug dealing or drinking.**

They will purposefully choose someone they can scare, bully or control and may physically or sexually or financially abuse them.



Signs to look out for:

a lot of different people visiting someone's house

people calling at all times of the day and night or different cars pulling up outside

if the neighbour has not been seen for a while

signs of drug equipment or empty cans and bottles

increased litter outside or other anti-social behaviour

If you suspect a neighbour is being 'cuckooed' please report to Social Care Direct on 0131 200 2324 or the police on 101.