



The easy way to stop your online accounts getting hacked

A strong password is a good start, but it doesn't stop there... Whether it's your Twitter, Amazon, or Netflix account, the explosion in popularity of online apps and services means more and more of us have to remember an increasingly long list of passwords.

Unfortunately, some of us cope with this challenge by resorting to practices that leave our data, devices and money at risk - using the same password across multiple accounts, or by creating simple passwords that could easily be guessed by a fraudster. Bad password practice is more prevalent than you might think. Data breach analysis carried out by the UK's National Cyber Security Centre **found that more than 23 million users worldwide used 123456 as a password.**

But let's say you're not one of those people, and you use strong, unique passwords for each of your online accounts. That's a great start, but you could still be vulnerable to phishing attacks or data breaches. Even the most complex password offers you no protection if you've typed it into the 'password' field of what you thought was your bank's genuine website, or if a plain-text version is leaked in a data breach. That's why an additional layer of security is essential to properly securing your accounts.

If you care about it, put 2FA on it.

Two-factor authentication (2FA) is a way of strengthening the login security of your online accounts. It's a bit like how an ATM works. You need both your debit card (first factor) and your PIN (second factor) to get access to your account. The main objective is better security. If your card is stolen, they still need your PIN. If your PIN is stolen, they still need your card.

Online accounts with 2FA enabled work in a similar way. They require you to verify your identity using your password (first factor), as well as a randomised code (second factor) that's delivered to your mobile phone.

If your password is stolen, they still need your phone. If your phone is stolen, they still need your password. You should enable 2FA on all of your important online accounts, such as your email, or any account that holds your personal or financial details.

For instructions on how to enable 2FA on popular online services, visit <https://www.telesign.com/turnon2fa>.

Sign up for Wiltshire and Swindon Community Messaging at - www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

If you have any information about offenders or see something suspicious, please call Wiltshire Police on 101, or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111. In an emergency dial 999.

Amesbury Rural area.

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Priority Patrol locations:

Community Policing Teams supporting Community Speedwatch Teams

This priority continues with 2 locations every fortnight. CPT will actively engage both in company with and independently of CSW teams. Communities have reported back positively with regard to the visible police presence this affords them and this activity will continue across the South.

Local Crimes & Anti-social behaviour

BURGLARY

12/12/2019 15:30 – CHOLDERTON - Reporting person reporting that her garage has been broken into and there is access from the garage into the house but no entry gained. Nothing has been stolen. Investigation ongoing.

06/12/2019 16:30 – WINTERSLOW Rd. PORTON - An unknown suspect has gone into the shed in the garden of the reporting persons' customer and taken tools from the shed worth approximately £1000. Investigation ongoing.

17/12/2019 10:00 – CHOLDERTON - Unknown suspect(s) have used unknown means to gain access to the injured parties' garage. Suspect(s) have stolen a quadbike, which has subsequently been rolled across a field and village green. Suspect(s) had cut through the chain around the axle. Investigation completed.

THEFT

23/12/2019 21:36 – HIGH STREET, SHREWTON - The unknown male suspect attempted to snatch the injured parties' phone from her. The injured party kicked the unknown male in the shins. Investigation ongoing.

23/12/2019 19:00 – GREAT DUNFORD - Unknown suspect has gained access to the injured parties' Oil storage tank and has stolen roughly 400 litres. Investigation complete.

04/12/2019 21:30 – CHOLDERTON – stolen caravan located in field where a vehicle was seen driving. Caravan reunited with its owner. Investigation complete.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE

24/11/2019 08:22 – STEEPLLE LANGFORD - Unknown suspect/s have smashed a vehicle against a gate at the entrance to the farmyard at East Cliffe Farm breaking the hinges which now prevent the gate from properly closing. They have then driven across farmland causing temporary damage in what appears to be deer or hare coursing. Incident has been logged and patrols increased. Investigation completed.

24/12/2019 11:20 WINTERBOURNE STOKE - Known suspects have been sighted hare coursing at the location. Fence to a field has been cut in order to gain entry. Suspects found in a vehicle with dogs and catapult. Subsequently arrested. Investigation completed.

25/12/2019 15:40 STEEPLLE LANGFORD – Unknown males seen in vehicle tearing up the field. Details logged. Investigation completed.

Other

06/12/2019 14:30 – WINTERSLOW Rd. Reckless driver. Words of advice given. Investigation complete.

06/12/2019 08:40 – WINTERSLOW Rd. Car seized due to no insurance/MOT. Investigation ongoing, car still held.

13/12/2019 02:33 – CAMP HILL, SALISBURY. Vehicle seized due to no licence. Vehicle returned later on. Investigation complete.

16/12/2019 16:28 – A36 to WARMINSTER. Vehicle driving aggressively and dangerously. Words of advice delivered. Investigation complete.

30/12/2019 08:00 – A338 PORTON. Single vehicle RTC. Seized due to no insurance. Later released. Investigation complete.

<https://www.police.uk/>

This link will allow you to check stats in more detail for your area, and all surrounding areas. Local email inbox for Community Policing Team: AmesburyAreaCPT@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

If you wish further details please contact your local officers:

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Please dial 101 to report a crime and 999 in an emergency.

