



Online Job Recruitment

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The National Fraud Intelligence Bureau (NFIB) and Action Fraud have noticed a rise in the reporting of victims being recruited via social media to sell items for suspects on popular online auction sites. Victims are persuaded that this will be a quick way of making money.

The items are said to be bankrupt stock, purchased via auctions, and need to be sold on quickly. The majority of the items reported have been Apple Mac Book Pro/Electrical Items.

The victim places the items on the auction site and once the items are sold, the victim gets paid and transfers the funds to the suspect/recruiter. Once the suspect/recruiter gets the funds, the purchasers are claiming that they have received empty cereal boxes or often no goods at all, leaving the victim being reported as the actual suspect, and leaving them out of pocket as their account will be debited.

PROTECTION / PREVENTION ADVICE

- Consider conducting research on other information provided by the seller, for example a mobile phone number or email address could alert you to negative information associated with the number/email address online.
- Be very cautious of unsolicited emails or approaches over social media promising opportunities to make easy money.
- When accepting offers, verify the company/entity details provided to you and check whether they have been registered in the UK.
- If you think the deal or offer is too good to be true then it probably is!

If you have been affected by this, or any other scam, report it to Action Fraud by calling 0300 123 2040, or visiting www.actionfraud.police.uk

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