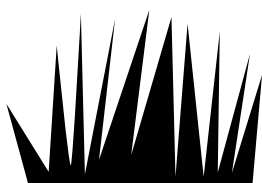


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is when criminals take over a vulnerable person's home and use it:

- To deal, store or take drugs
- To hide weapons or stolen goods
- For sexual or financial exploitation
- As a place to stay

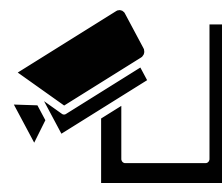
## Know the signs



Gardens are overgrown



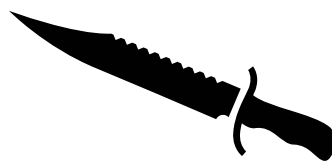
Locks on internal doors



CCTV equipment



Piles of takeaway boxes or containers



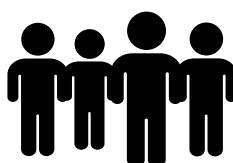
Weapons and expensive items



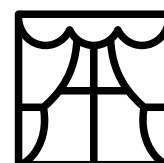
Damage to doors or windows



Drug manufacturing and dealing paraphernalia



Children or adults that have no clear connection to the resident



Curtains and blinds are closed during the day



## The resident may:

- Provide accounts of how injuries have occurred which seem rehearsed
- Be carrying multiple mobile phones
- Avoid eye contact
- Present as angry, anxious, fearful or withdrawn



If you suspect a property is being cuckooed call **101**, in an emergency call **999**. To report information anonymously call Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111** or use the QR code to report online

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