CUCKOOING

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

- To deal, store or take drugs
- For sexual exploitation
- As a place to stay

- To hide weapons or stolen goods
- To facilitate financial abuse

Know the signs



The occupant has not been seen for a while



The occupant has distanced themselves from family, friends or support services



Curtains or blinds are closed during the day



An increase in litter, theft and anti-social behaviour in the local area



Frequent loss of door keys or access fobs



Damage to windows



An increase in bikes, mopeds and cars parked outside of a property



Unfamiliar people entering and leaving a property, often at unsociable hours



Secure doors are wedged open



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

