

Watch out for fake car insurance (aka Ghost Broking)

If you need car insurance, be wary of heavily discounted prices on the internet or cheap prices you are offered directly through messaging services such as WhatsApp, SnapChat or Facebook.

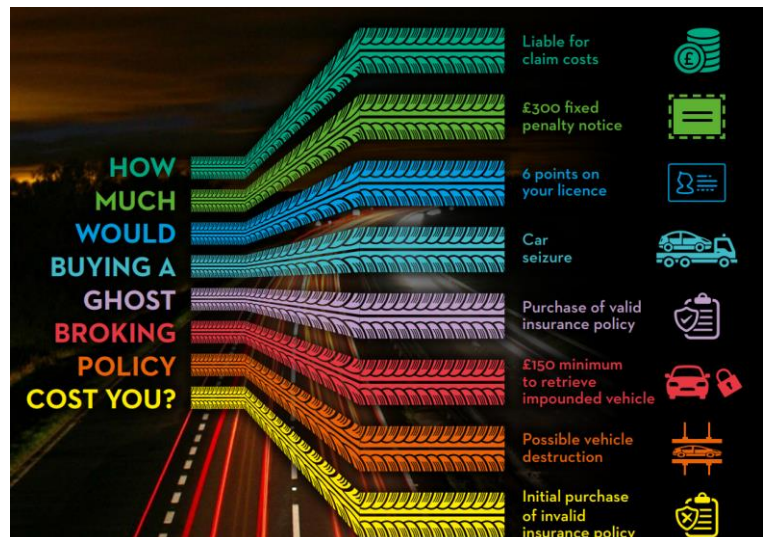
These could be fraudsters using a method known as 'ghost broking' claiming they can offer you insurance at a significantly cheaper price. They will either forge documents, falsify details to bring the quote down or take out a genuine policy and then cancel it after you have paid them. You won't realise this has happened until you are either stopped by the police or try to make a claim.

The [Financial Conduct Authority](#) and [British Insurance Brokers' Association](#)

has a list of authorised brokers to check. You can also see if your car is legitimately insured on the Motor Insurance Database

<https://ownvehicle.askmid.com/>.

There is further advice provided by the [City of London Police](#).



Increase in keyless car thefts

Offenders are using sophisticated tools to steal cars with keyless entry by tricking the system into thinking the key is nearby. They do not need to gain access to your home to take the keys. The image below shows how keyless cars are stolen.



Tips for preventing keyless car theft:

- **Hide Keys:** keep keys out of sight from doors and windows
- **Signal Blocking:** use a certified pouch or tin to store keys which will block the signal
- **Deterrent Locks:** use [Sold Secure](#) approved products such as steering wheel, pedal or gear locks to deter offenders
- **Parking:** park in a garage if you have one. If parking on your driveway consider fitting outdoor motion detector lighting and CCTV from installers who are members of the [National Security Inspectorate](#) or the [Security Systems and Alarms Inspection Board](#)

Calling all dog walkers in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight



Dog Watch is an initiative to encourage dog walkers to be proactive and vigilant in their area whilst out walking their dogs. Members also receive regular notifications and advice from the police. At no time are dog walkers expected to intervene in any incidents.

To join the scheme simply sign up to www.hampshirealert.co.uk and select 'Dog Watch'.

Ticket Fraud

If you are planning on buying tickets to an event this summer, take time to read Get Safe Online's advice on purchasing tickets safely online.

The following link provides you with the latest advice on their website:

<https://www.getsafeonline.org/ticketfraud/>

Whether it's cricket, tennis, a concert or festival don't buy tickets from anyone apart from official vendors, the box office or reputable fan reseller sites.

You thought you'd bought tickets. But you get this.

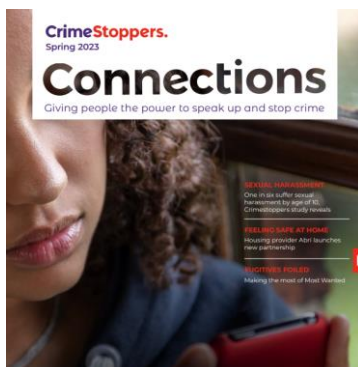
Buying gig, festival or match tickets from anyone apart from official vendors, the box office or reputable fan reseller sites could result in fraud.

Get our expert advice on buying tickets safely.
#TicketFraud



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The latest edition of the CrimeStoppers publication is out now. <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/news-campaigns/our-publications/connections-magazine>



Victim Hub survey

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The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner is seeking your thoughts and views around how and where victims of crime access relevant and appropriate levels of support.

The [OPCC website](https://www.opcc.gov.uk) has further information and a link to the survey.

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