

We are appealing for information about a recent distraction burglary which occurred in the London Road area of Roade village.

Between 10.30am and 11.30am, a man called at an address in the village claiming to be fixing a neighbour's roof. The man was allowed into the property and went on to steal cash while the householder was distracted. The man is described as white, aged 35-45, 6ft tall and of medium build. He had short brown hair with sideburns.

Householders are reminded that if they do not know a caller or are not expecting them, then do not open the door to them. Anyone with concerns should contact the police immediately.

If traders make a cold call and offer services/goods costing more than £35, they must give a written notice of cancellation rights. If this is not given, they are committing a criminal offence and cannot legally demand any payment for the "work" they claim to have done. Householders should not be forced into making a quick decision on the doorstep. They should get at least 3 quotes from local reputable companies.

Trading Standards "Trusted Trader" schemes, Buy with Confidence schemes and other local recommended trader's registers should be able to recommend a suitable trader.

Anyone with information or has witnessed this or any similar incident, should call Northamptonshire Police or Crimestoppers on the numbers given below quoting ref WB/CM/168 Thank you.

Call the Northamptonshire Police switchboard on 08453 700700 or dial 999 in an emergency. Alternatively you can call Crime Stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.