

Dear Attendee,

I am writing to thank you for your time and your engagement during my input at the **Hackfe5t** on the **15th of December 2016**, and to provide you with some further details of resources that are available to you.

The theme was primarily around how we can make a difference to how protected we are from cybercrime and fraud. In my opinion, this includes the need to know what the threats are, together with knowledge of what our personal and organisational vulnerabilities are, as well as knowing what behaviours can help to make a difference and allow us to take more control of our personal and organisational security thereby ensuring we are better protected from criminal attacks.

There are many factors that influence our vulnerabilities to cybercrime and fraud, along with numerous tips on how we can stay protected against criminal activities. As such, within the time we had together, I was unable to cover all of the many aspects of work that is underway to help keep communities across the UK safe from these attacks. That said, I hope I was able to give you enough information to start making a difference in keeping you protected.

To assist with helping ensure you remain informed of the latest threats from cybercrime and fraud and appropriate protection advice, I would encourage you to sign up to the Action Fraud alerts process. Membership of this can be obtained through accessing the Action Fraud website (www.actionfraud.police.uk) and clicking on the support and prevention page, and to follow us on **@southeastROCU** twitter feed. Both of these forums will provide you with timely information on the latest threats and trends that we are seeing as they happen across the UK. In addition, as I also mentioned I would also like to draw your attention to the services that 'get safe online' (www.getsafeonline.org) and Cyber Aware (www.cyberaware.gov.uk) provide.

Both of these provide advice for individuals and businesses. Specifically for businesses, there is also the Cyber Essentials Programme, which allows businesses to achieve a government endorsed standard of cyber security (www.cyberaware.gov.uk/cyberessentials), and is a programme that we would advocate you signing up to. All of these are useful resources to help keep you protected from cybercrime.

If I, or my team, can be of any further assistance or you would like any more detail in relation to the above, then please do not hesitate to contact me using the details provided.

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Similarly, if you have any suggestions on how our presentations or materials could be improved, or perhaps more generally on how policing can work better with you, then please do get in touch.

Regards

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