

MEDIA RELEASE

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SCAM WARNING

Council has recently been the target of a scam which has resulted in an amount of money being stolen. Despite Council's significant security systems being in place, a breach of protocols occurred. That breach has since been addressed and an audit conducted. Whilst the breach was serious, action has been taken to negate any further intrusions.

The police and other statutory organisations have been notified and continue to investigate on Council's behalf.

If you are doing business with the Council especially electronically, please check that your firewalls and security systems are up to date and that documents purporting to be legitimate are exactly that; legitimate. Be aware, you may be next.

Fake invoicing is being used extensively across the State using very sophisticated means of authenticity. If you haven't changed your passwords or other means of identification recently, you are strongly urged to do so and be on the lookout for duds.

Please visit The Queensland Government ScamWatch website on: <https://www.scamwatch.gov.au/types-of-scams/attempts-to-gain-your-personal-information/phishing> for further information.

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