

# Noticing the signs of CUCKOOING

## What is Cuckooing?

Cuckooing is when an individual or group use a vulnerable person's home as their base for the production, storage, or dealing of drugs.

If you notice any of the below, this could be a sign that a person is being 'cuckooed'.



more anti-social behaviour and noise around a property



the outside of the person's property becomes untidy



more cars and bikes outside of a property



the person is not seen for a while



frequent new visitors and fewer visits from their family and friends (sometimes the drug customers loiter in the area)



the person has money, food and clothes stolen



the person has expensive items they usually cannot afford – they are 'gifted' things or money in exchange for the use of their flat

## How to report cuckooing

You can report suspicious behaviour directly to your housing officer or housing association if you are a council or housing association tenant. If you are a private tenant or a home owner, contact our Community Protection team by emailing [pollution-regulation@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:pollution-regulation@royalgreenwich.gov.uk) or report to the police on **101**. You can also report concerns anonymously at [crimestoppers-uk.org](http://crimestoppers-uk.org).

In an emergency, always call **999**.