

Press release

Fraud warning: impersonation of the Jersey Evening Post

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We are warning members of the public about the impersonation of the Jersey Evening Post on social media using the name 'Jersey Evening Post – Financial Advisor (Ivan Vykup)' (**the impersonator**).

We are aware that members of the public have received unexpected messages and friend requests on social media from the impersonator, and that the impersonator has been inviting people to join a group where they claim to be providing information on various types of investments.

We confirm that:

- › the impersonator is not associated in any way with the Jersey Evening Post and, from documentation we hold, shows signs of being set up for fraudulent purposes
- › the impersonator is not a registered company or registered business name in Jersey, and does not have a registered address in Jersey
- › the impersonator is not registered with the JFSC to provide investment advice
- › we are not aware of anyone named 'Ivan Vykup' employed by a registered person in Jersey as an investment employee

Anyone who has had dealings with this social media account is encouraged to [contact our Enforcement team](#).

How to spot a scam

If you receive an unexpected message, friend request, email, text, call, or letter, look for signs that it may be a scam. These can include, but are not limited to, the following:

- › spelling mistakes and poor grammar
- › pressure and urgency, demanding you to do something
- › asking or telling you to click on a link
- › unusual payment methods
- › promises or offers that seem too good to be true
- › requests for sensitive or personal information
- › website addresses and social media accounts that contain small changes from genuine sites, or contain extra punctuation

What to do if scammers contact you

Do not:

- › reply
- › click on any links
- › open any attachments
- › provide any sensitive or personal information
- › send them any money

If you are not sure if a message is from a genuine company, we encourage you to contact the genuine company through their official phone number or email to verify if the message is legitimate.

For any business claiming to be registered or operating in Jersey, members of the public are able to verify:

- › a company's regulated status by visiting [regulated entities — Jersey Financial Services Commission](#)
- › a company's registration details by visiting [registry — Jersey Financial Services Commission](#)
- › details of registered persons' Senior Management and Investment Employees by visiting [registered persons senior management and investment employees — Jersey Financial Services Commission](#)

Follow the Jersey Fraud Prevention Forum on Facebook or LinkedIn for guidance on how to avoid being scammed and what to do if you think you have been scammed:

- › [Jersey Fraud Prevention Forum - Facebook](#)
- › [Jersey Fraud Prevention Forum - LinkedIn](#)

For further enquiries, please [contact our Enforcement team](#).

You can also contact our confidential whistleblowing line on +44 (0)1534 887557.