

Lone Working Policy



Trust your Intuition - feel uncomfortable? STOP the visit



Visit/ meet in pairs if you can



Keep valuables out of sight. Reverse car into a space for easy exit



Always have a charged mobile with ICE contact details



Use the 'Buddy' procedure if need to work alone



Buddy Procedure



Identify a 'buddy' (preferably another member of staff)



Provide name/address/time of the visit/ lone meeting plus car details



Agree a safety word



Keep in contact if visit/meet to be longer than 3 hours



Not heard from the lone worker? Then



No response from lone worker?



Buddy to phone the lone worker.



No response in an hour? Call the family being visited/met - DO NOT VISIT



No reponse within 2 hours?
Call next of kin to advise AND..



...contact CEO/CoB who will contact the police.



Contact made and safety word used - CALL POLICE.