

# FRAUD

**FRAUDSTERS ARE USING BUSINESS INFORMATION TO APPLY FOR BUSINESS SUPPORT GRANTS FOR A BUSINESS NOT IN THEIR OWNERSHIP**

# ALERT

**PLEASE SHARE THIS ALERT AND HELP US TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC PURSE SO THAT WE CAN ALL ENSURE THE RIGHT MONIES GO TO THE RIGHT BUSINESSES AT THE RIGHT TIME.**

**STAY ALERT TO FRAUD AND STAY SAFE.**

Please be aware of the following potential fraudulent applications for Small Business Rate Grant made to a South Wales LA.

Several applications had been made for non-related businesses using the same bank account details and some applications had the same email address and mobile phone number.

It would appear that someone other than the business owner has applied for the grant on behalf of that business.

The South Wales LA is currently investigating the applications.

Duplicate analysis of applications will quickly match duplicate bank account numbers, email addresses, business address, business name, Business Rate Account Number and contact phone numbers.

If you would like support with Data Analysis we have a dedicated team who can support. Please give us a call.

SWAP is currently helping our partners check Business Support Grants through Spotlight and CiFAS. If we can help your Council or organisation please do not hesitate to contact:

JACQUI GOODING - ASSISTANT DIRECTOR – COUNTER FRAUD AND INVESTIGATIONS LEAD  
JACQUI.GOODING@SWAPAUDIT.CO.UK OR TEL: 07872500675

NICK HAMMACOTT – SENIOR AUDITOR  
NICK.HAMMACOTT@SWAPAUDIT.CO.UK



**SWAP**  
**INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES**  
Assuring – Improving – Protecting