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Fraud  
Smart!

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# Essex Police Fraud Alert System

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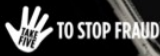


## SWIPE LEFT ON ROMANCE FRAUD

Over £66m was lost to  
romance fraud between  
Aug 2019 and Aug 2020.

#LoveNotLies

ActionFraud  
National Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Centre  
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Online dating? If you haven't met  
them in person do not:

# DON'T LET YOUR HEART RULE YOUR HEAD.

#LoveNotLies



Send them  
any money.



Purchase and  
send the codes  
on gift cards.



Transfer money  
on their behalf.



Take a loan  
out for them.



Provide copies of your personal documents  
such as passports or driving licenses.



Allow them  
access to your  
bank account.



Invest your own  
money on their  
behalf or on  
their advice.

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If you or someone you know is vulnerable and has been a victim of fraud, please call **Essex Police** on **101**  
Report fraud or attempted fraud by contacting **Action Fraud** at [actionfraud.police.uk](http://actionfraud.police.uk) or call **0300 123 2040**

Keep up to date with fraud and  
do **even more** Online **at** [essex.police.uk](http://essex.police.uk)

