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London Digital Security Centre Out in the Community with London Businesses

London, UK – The London Digital Security Centre will work alongside the Metropolitan Police this week and next, engaging directly with small to medium sized businesses based in the West End of London, Southwark, Lambeth and Lewisham. The programme will take place from Monday 5 to Monday 12 June, to highlight potential vulnerabilities in those business' digital security.

The Community programme from the London Digital Security Centre is just one of its many innovative features aimed at 1 to <249 businesses operating in London and follows the recent launch of its free membership scheme and marketplace initiative.

Officers from the Metropolitan Police - Safer London Team - led by James Barrett, along with specialists from the London Digital Security Centre, led by Operations Manager Jack Lemon, will target specific areas of London to visit small and medium sized businesses to help enhance their digital security, to be better protected from Cyber Crime and know to report crime to ActionFraud - the National Fraud and Cyber Crime Reporting Centre - if they do become victims of Cyber Crime.

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James Barrett, insert job title, for Safer London at the Metropolitan Police stated, *“We are delighted to have the support of the London Digital Security Centre in helping businesses improve their cyber security. Cyber security is of paramount importance to all businesses, and their work is even more prevalent given the recent ransomware attacks.”*

Each business visited will be provided with a bespoke report, highlighting any potential vulnerabilities in their digital security with bespoke advice and support on how to remedy them and be better protected when conducting business online.

Each business visited will be provided with a copy of ‘The Little Book of Cyber Scams’, as well as official literature informed by research from the National Cyber Security Centre.

John Unsworth, Chief Executive for the London Digital Security Centre said, *“This is the third time we have been out into the community now, working alongside the police, and we’ve received a really positive response. Our role, alongside those of our partners, is to help businesses to grow and innovate through improving their resilience to online threats and vulnerabilities. We want to help make London the safest place to innovate online.”*

For further information on the London Digital Security Centre please visit www.londondsc.co.uk or contact John Unsworth by email at: john.unsworth@londondsc.co.uk.

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Note to editors:

The London Digital Security Centre is a not for profit organisation founded by the Mayor of London as a joint venture with the Metropolitan Police Service and the City of London Police. The Centre works alongside the National Fraud and Cyber Crime Reporting Centre (ActionFraud) to help prevent businesses being the victims of cybercrime.

The London Digital Security Centre provides free impartial advice and support to businesses to help improve their digital security and enable them to work in a secure online environment.

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