

Greenwood Warren Sparda Trust Group - F.S.C Public Warnings

This notice is issued by the Financial Supervision Commission (“the Commission”) in accordance with the powers conferred upon it under Section 22 of the Financial Supervision Act 1988.

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The Commission has recently become aware of emails received by members of the Public purporting to have been sent by the above named individual.

The name Greenwood Warren has appeared in other Public Warnings issued by the Commission. Please refer to the following links:

<http://www.fsc.gov.im/ViewNews.gov?menuid=10222&page=lib/news/fsc/greenwoodwarren.xml>

and

<http://www.fsc.gov.im/ViewNews.gov?menuid=10222&page=lib/news/fsc/advancefeefraud.xml>

Within the aforementioned emails, the above named Greenwood Warren. claims to be employed as “*head of Audit Committee*” with “*Sparda Trust Group with head offices in Ramsey, Isle of Man*”.

The emails state that the sender is aware of a large deposit allegedly held by his employer, the holder of which has purportedly died intestate. The emails seek the assistance of the recipient to “stand in as the next of kin” to the purported account holder in order to have the funds transferred out of the organisation. The emails offer the recipient a percentage of the funds in return for so acting.

The Commission wishes to draw attention to the following observations regarding the aforementioned emails:

Sparda Trust Group is not a company incorporated in the Isle of Man. It is not registered as a Business Name in the Isle of Man. It is not registered as a foreign company having established a place of business on the Isle of Man.

Sparda Trust Group is not licensed by the Commission to undertake Banking, Investment or any other regulated business in on or from the Isle of Man. A list of all licence holders of the Commission is available on the Commission website at <http://www.fsc.gov.im/licence/welcome.xml>

The Commission has been unable to identify any business called Sparda Trust Group operating in or from any address on the Isle of Man.

The Commission has been unable to identify any connection between Sparda Trust Group and any genuine business or person on the Isle of Man.

Under the circumstances the Commission feels that these emails are being issued to either tempt the recipient into becoming the victim of an Advance Fee Fraud (see explanatory notice issued by the Commission at:

<http://www.fsc.gov.im/ViewNews.gov?menuid=10222&page=lib/news/fsc/westafricanfraud.xml>

or are an attempt at gaining personal data from the recipient in order to steal their identity (see explanatory notice issued by the Commission at:

<http://www.fsc.gov.im/ViewNews.gov?menuid=10222&page=lib/news/fsc/identitytheft.xml>)

Under the circumstances the Commission would encourage people receiving emails matching the above description to refrain from responding to them in any way.

Any persons who are already involved in any dealings resulting from the above emails and have concerns should contact the Enforcement Division on +44 1624 689313 or by email to fsc@gov.im

Any persons who have paid out funds in relation to the above emails or who have provided personal financial details in relation to the above emails should consider contacting their local police fraud unit without delay.

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