The Government has only sent one text message to the public regarding new rules about staying at home to prevent the spread of COVID-19.  Any others claiming to be from the UK Government are false.  Criminals use spoofing technology to send texts and emails impersonating organisations you know and trust.  If you receive an unexpected text or email asking for personal or financial details, do NOT click on links or attachments and don’t respond to any messages asking for personal or financial details.

Bromley Council has asked us to remind you to regularly review the COVID-19 page its website as it contains government and local authority updates, advice and guidance:

<https://www.bromley.gov.uk/news/article/1551/coronavirus_covid-19_>–\_what\_you\_need\_to\_know

In addition, you may wish to advise your neighbours who do not have Internet access that there is now a Bromley Council COVID-19 Assistance telephone helpline.  The number is  020 8313 4484  and strictly for those who may not have internet access.  It is operated weekdays from 8.30am to 5.30pm.

Bromley Council will also be issuing an email newsletter for residents about some of its COVID-19 related initiatives and is intending to communicate with residents directly in the coming days so it can keep in direct touch with service updates and other news.  You are encouraged to sign up to receive this newsletter via the Bromley Council website at:<https://www.bromley.gov.uk/info/200109/council_news>.

If you prefer not to click on the links in this e-mail, you can access both from the Bromley Council website homepage.

Wash your hands of coronavirus scams! Read it. Share it. Prevent it.

Kind regards,

Bromley Neighbourhood Watch Association