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## Company director identity fraud

Research undertaken for the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy has revealed that company directors are twice as likely to be victims of identity fraud as the average individual.

It is apparent that fraudsters are using publicly available information to pose as company directors to purchase products online. Company directors have been victims in one in five recorded cases according to fraud prevention organisation Cifas.

The Government has introduced a new law to help combat this by allowing company directors to remove their personal addresses from the official company register at Company House. The need to provide a business address will be a legal requirement.

The law will come into force by the end of the summer.

If you would like to take advantage of this change please advise your usual Chavereys contact.

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Please contact your usual Chavereys contact if you have any specific questions on the above.

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