

Paving scam

Nottawasaga OPP received information about a possible paving scam July 3, in the Town of New Tecumseth. Upon further investigation, police have learned that the homeowner was approached in his yard and offered a deal to have his driveway paved for \$700?800 on the original quote and then the final bill was \$4200. Dufferin OPP and Durham Region have reported similar incidents in Dufferin County stemming back from the end of April 2013.

Nottawasaga OPP would like to remind citizens that they should follow a few simple steps when contracting work for home renovations

Always read over thoroughly all written contracts before signing them. Get a family member to review them.

Get references from other customers to ensure quality of the work

Do some research before you pay for product or service

Thoroughly understand what product or service you are purchasing, the process any guarantees and complaint process if you do not receive the product or service you paid for.

Inspect all work prior to making payment and ensure work has been completed properly and that the service you received was what you had paid for in your business contract.

Legitimate business people will be happy to provide you with information on their services

Always be careful about providing confidential personal information especially banking and credit card details unless you are certain that the company is legitimate.

For other helpful tips check out the OPP website at www.opp.ca