GLOSSARY OF COMMON ATTACKS

Data Breach

Lost/stolen devices or hard copy documents, unauthorised access or extraction of data from the network.

Denial of Service ●

Typically a flood of traffic taking down a website, can apply to phone lines, other web facing systems, and in some cases internal systems.

Insider •

Malicious or accidental action by an employee causing a security incident.



Phishing •

Emails attempting to convince someone to trust a link/attachment.



Malicious code •·····

Malware infection on the network, including ransomware.



Targeted attack •··

An attack specifically targeted at the business - usually by a sophisticated attacker.



Unauthorised Access • · · · · · ·

Access to systems, accounts, data by an unauthorised person (internal or external) – for example access to someone's emails or account.



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