Mansfield SMEs urged to close cyber security gap

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Small businesses in Mansfield are being encouraged to take a fresh look at their cyber security after new research revealed a sizeable gap between SMEs recognising cyber threats and actually putting protection in place.

SMEs in Mansfield are being warned that they may not have good enough security measures in place. | Black Swan Cyber Security Solutions has permission to use and distribute this image for editorial purposes.

New research from Mastercard, involving more than 6,000 SMEs across 18 countries, found 71% regard protection from cyber threats as a priority, but only 37% currently use cyber security tools.

Kevin Walker, of Black Swan Cyber Security Solutions, said: “Most small business owners I meet don't need convincing that cyber security matters. They need somebody to turn it into something manageable.

“Good cyber security for a small business isn't about buying everything. It's about protecting the things that would really hurt if they stopped working tomorrow, and making sure somebody is actually keeping an eye on them.”