

Is It or Isn't It?

You have received a last minute booking for one night. The man booking the room says that they are guests at a wedding and need the room to change and stay the night. He is keen to pay by cash.

Mid-evening, 3 men of various ages, between 20 and 50, and 2 teenage girls, arrive at the hotel to take up the booking. They have a number of packages with them wrapped in wedding gift paper. As the evening progresses, other friends of the guests seem to come and go. There is a lot of noise – music, laughing coming from the room and people seem to be drunk. There is a 'do not disturb' notice on the door.

Is it or isn't it?

- The guest insists on paying in cash
- Last minute booking
- Frequent visitors who are in and out at irregular hours
- Young person checking in with an older male

The hotel guests don't leave the room together, but as the evening progresses, different people come and go. The noise from the room is continuing into the early hours. At 3am, the 2 teenage girls leave. They look drunk and one is crying. The other girl says her friend is 'tired and emotional' and giggles.

Is it or isn't it?

- Complaints of noise from the room
- People coming and going
- A young person who appears incoherent and uncomfortable

The next day the hotel domestic staff comment on the amount of empty vodka bottles and cannabis roaches. There are also teaspoons lying around and pieces of tinfoil in the bins with the wedding gift wrapping paper. A number of used condoms are found in the bathroom.

Is it or isn't it?

- Alcohol and drug paraphernalia in the room
- Signs of sexual activity in the room

The following weekend you receive another booking for one night under similar circumstances. The man seems familiar.

Is it or isn't it?

- An adult checking who is a frequent user of the hotel with different people

Useful numbers...

Police 101 or 999 in an emergency

Safe and Sound 01332 362120

Child Line 0800 11 11

Derby City Council's Children and Young People's first contact team 01332 641172

