

Is worcesternews.co.uk legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

worcesternews.co.uk

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

worcesternews.co.uk appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Safe for Login

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-04 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

Homepage of The Worcester News, an established Newsquest-owned local newspaper covering Worcester and Worcestershire news, sport, emergencies, events, business, entertainment, and community information. The page promotes subscriptions, newsletters, advertising, classifieds, and newspaper services while disclosing ownership, registration details, address, policies, and IPSO editorial oversight.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	21 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 2006 5000 snapshots	CLEAR

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2006.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is an established local-news publication serving Worcester and Worcestershire, presenting regional news, sport, emergency updates, events, public notices, and community information through a conventional media model supported by subscriptions, advertising, classified listings, and newspaper services.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No identity contradictions, impersonation indicators, phishing behavior, or confirmed malicious reputation signals were observed. The Newsquest ownership presented on the homepage aligns with the domain registrar, while the domain's long history and consistently news-focused archival record provide strong provenance. Interactive testing found no hidden or externally submitted password forms, wallet activity, clipboard interference, or cloaking.

- The homepage identifies the publication as a Newsquest Media Group Ltd local newspaper and presents a coherent editorial and commercial offering.
- The domain registration record shows registration on 1 March 2005 (~21.44 years old), with expiry on 1 March 2027, through Newsquest Media Group Limited trading as Newsquest Digital Media.
- The web archive contains 5,000 snapshots spanning 8 January 2006 to 30 December 2021 (16 years tracked), consistently associated with news/media content and showing no suspicious repurposing.
- External reputation checks recorded 0 malicious and 0 suspicious detections, no search-security warning, no abuse reports, and an established global traffic position at rank 50,383.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The homepage provides transparent corporate ownership, registration information, an address, policy links, and reference to IPSO editorial oversight. This is appropriate disclosure for a local newspaper and supports a clear operating identity; no financial or investment activity was presented that would make a financial-services licence relevant. Subscription metering, consent management, analytics, and advertising are consistent with the disclosed publishing model.

- The homepage attributes operations to Newsquest Media Group Ltd and exposes corporate, policy, and editorial-oversight information.

- The homepage offers subscriptions, newsletters, advertising bookings, classifieds, digital editions, public notices, and newspaper delivery services consistent with the stated business model.
- The hosting infrastructure is served from AS8075 (Microsoft Corporation, US).
- The site’s transport encryption uses a DV TLS certificate issued by GeoTrust TLS RSA CA G1, valid to 18 December 2026.

What to Verify Next

Institutional due diligence may confirm the published Newsquest corporate particulars against the relevant company register, confirm current IPSO membership through IPSO’s own records, and review subscription renewal, cancellation, privacy, and advertising terms before entering a commercial arrangement. Official contact channels may also be confirmed through an independently sourced Newsquest directory when establishing a supplier or advertising relationship.

- The homepage presents corporate identity, address, policy, and IPSO information suitable for comparison with independent official records.
- The subscription, digital-edition, advertising, and classified-service pathways create contractual terms that warrant routine procurement or consumer review.

Summary Verdict

The website is legitimate, established, and trustworthy. Its identity, historical continuity, conventional publishing activity, technical controls, and clean external reputation converge without contradictory signals, supporting normal use with high confidence.

Infrastructure Integrity

The site is protected by a CDN/WAF deployment, with the observed address operating as an edge server rather than an exposed origin. This reduces direct origin exposure and is a useful security mitigation, although protective infrastructure is not itself proof of legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Normal browsing, account login, subscription management, and other standard interactions are appropriate, subject to ordinary review of applicable commercial terms.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-04 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	UNVERIFIED
Identity score	30/100
Identity verification confidence	50%

- No on-site identity signals detected

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of worcesternews.co.uk.

- The request stayed on worcesternews.co.uk. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Newsquest Media Group Limited t/a Newsquest Digital Media [Tag = NEWSCOMM]. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by azure-dns.com, across 4 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2027-03-01. NOTED
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2006-01-08. CLEAR
- It is hosted on MICROSOFT-CORP-MSN-AS-BLOCK, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Newsquest Media Group Limited t/a Newsquest Digital Media [Tag = NEWSCOMM]
Hosting	MICROSOFT-CORP-MSN-AS-BLOCK - Microsoft Corporation, US
Country	US
Server IP	20.90.133.1
Name servers	ns1-01.azure-dns.com, ns2-01.azure-dns.net, ns3-01.azure-dns.org, ns4-01.azure-dns.info
SSL issuer	GeoTrust TLS RSA CA G1
SSL expiry	2026-12-18
Domain age	21.4 years
Domain expiry	2027-03-01
Archive first seen	2006-01-08
Archive snapshots	5000
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about worcesternews.co.uk at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.