

KENT TENANCY FRAUD FORUM, OCTOBER 2022

Recent interesting cases – a couple of examples
from existing contract work

- ▶ Information received by LA's council tax department that there were new tenants in a council flat.
- ▶ Visit made to the flat and a couple were resident.
- ▶ The flat had been rented through a high street letting agent.
- ▶ Credit check and enquiries with neighbours suggest the tenant had gone abroad.

SUB-LETTING, RTB & PROPERTY FRAUD

- ▶ Evidence from the letting agent shows the tenant was not the landlord.
- ▶ A property management company claimed they owned the flat.
- ▶ The tenant had submitted a RTB that was to be funded by the property management company.
- ▶ Has the tenant defrauded the property management company and fled abroad?

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- ▶ Report from neighbour concerning ASB and new occupiers of a council flat.
- ▶ Facebook search shows the tenant to be in a new relationship with someone out of the area. His address is found.
- ▶ Vehicle details of new occupiers.
- ▶ Visit made to the flat and registered address of the vehicle owners

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- ▶ Further social media information shows the tenant has a new job in the same town as her boyfriend's address.
- ▶ Enquiries with employer and bank statements requested.

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