## Be aware Rental Scams on Social media Sites

## To avoid rental scams, watch out for these common warning signs:

- 1. Low rent: If the rent is significantly lower than other properties in the area, be cautious.
- 2. Upfront Payments: Be wary of landlords who ask for money upfront before seeing the property, especially if they request payment via a bank transfer, cryptocurrency, or gift cards.
- 3. No In-Person Meetings: Criminals often avoid face-to-face meetings. If the "landlord" is unable or unwilling to meet you in person or show you the property, this is a warning sign.
- 4. warning consumers of the dangers of rental scams. Action Fraud reports the average rental scam victim in the UK loses £1,400.

## To avoid rental scams, watch out for these common warning signs:

- 5. High-Pressure Tactics: Criminals may pressure you to act quickly, claiming there are other interested people or that the offer is available for a limited time only.
- 6. Incomplete or Vague Information: Legitimate listings provide detailed information. Be suspicious of ads with limited photos, vague descriptions, or typos and errors. If it's an agent, they must belong to a redress scheme.

## Don't get scammed! Rental scams are on the rise.

- 7. Watch out for red flags like too- high-pressure tactics.
- 8. Always meet the landlord or agent in person and verify the property details.
- 9. Stay smart and rent safely.
- #RentalScams#MeetTheLandlord.

