

Dear Sir

I wish to express my concerns regarding the proposed banning on letting agent fees paid by tenants for two reasons: -

1. Inevitably any extra costs incurred by my agent will be passed, at least in part, to myself.
2. Tenants applying for occupancy of my property(ies) will be in a position to withdraw their commitment at any stage with impunity, resulting in additional costs to myself and my agent.

I understand that some disreputable agents have charged excessive fees but as a client of a longstanding, professional and reputable agent I feel very strongly that they and their clients should not be penalised in this way.

Furthermore, I would call for the regulation of Letting Agents along similar lines to Estate Agents. This is something my own agent firmly endorses.

Yours faithfully