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Subject: Photographing and filming tenants' possessions

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

Two points I think need to be captured and resolved -

- What is the recourse if a problem tenant just refuses to give approval thus impacting upon the owner being able to progress a sale or leasing? Whilst this may sound obscure, it is not uncommon for a long term tenant to be unhappy with the owner selling their property as they feel they are losing their home. Whilst these sentiments are acknowledged and understood, an owner has to be able to progress as often they have financial or personal matters that is forcing them to sell as well.
- Is an agent responsible for stopping someone taking their own photos during an open?

Large numbers of people now take their own shots and video on their phones, often discreetly, and then post them online for friends to see and ask opinions. This is almost impossible to control and often exposes far more personal belongings than an agents professional photos trying to sell a property.

Thanks

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