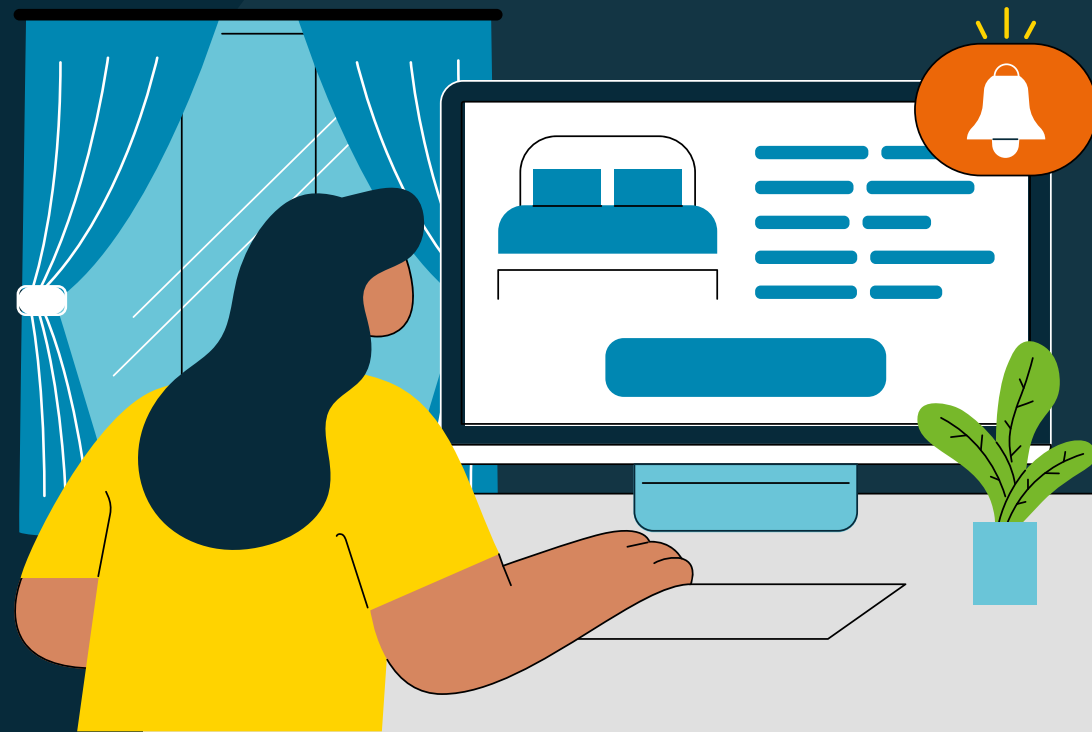


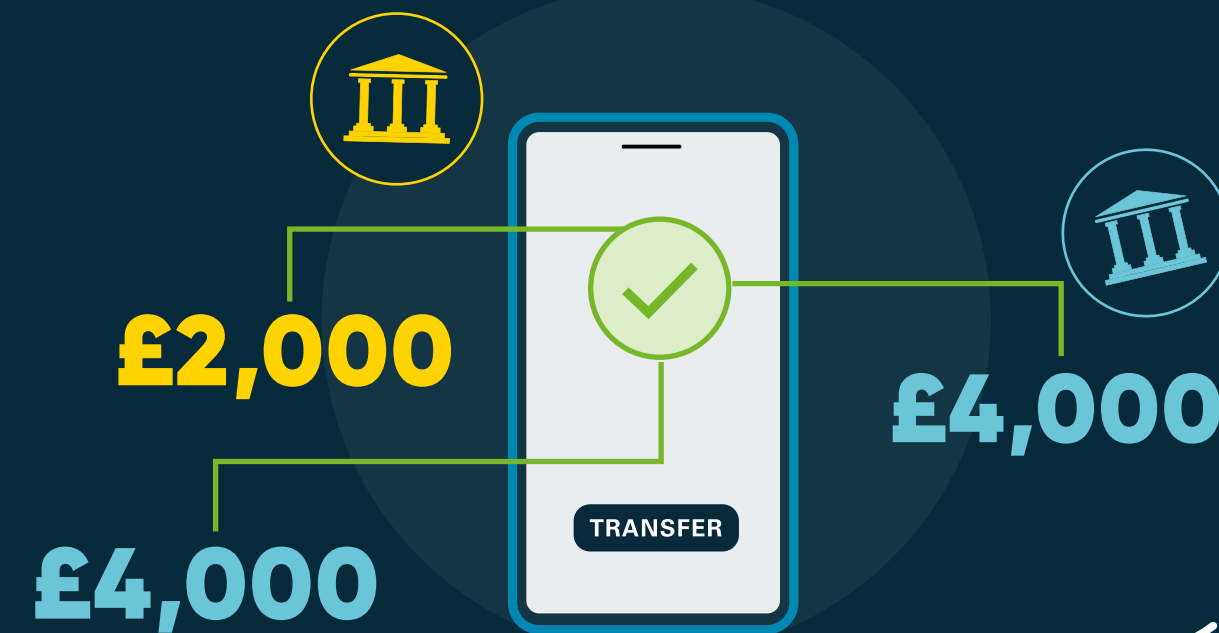
The rental trap

Yara's summer scam

Yara was **scammed while trying to rent a property**. She'd seen an ad on social media about a summer sub-let, and got in touch with **who she thought was the landlord**, using the contact details in the ad.



Yara sent them money, making a payment of **£2,000** for the deposit, followed by **two payments of £4,000** each, made to **two different bank accounts**.



It turned out that the person who'd posted the ad had stayed in the property previously, and **stolen personal documents and the passport** from the **actual landlord**.



Using this information, **the fraudster contacted a law firm** and deceived them into drafting a **subletting agreement**. The real landlord was unaware of this.



After discovering **she had been scammed**, Yara **reported it to the bank**. It investigated Yara's evidence and agreed that **the 'landlord' was a scammer**.



Yara received a **full reimbursement**, minus a **£100 claim excess**.