



**don't get
dumped on
...it will cost you**

If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is...

Don't become a victim...

Teams of waste criminals are targeting empty land and property in your area.

They may offer you cash to store waste on your land or inside your property, promising to come back and remove it. Or they may simply dump it illegally without your knowledge.

Properties may look secure from the outside but inside you may find 1000s of tons of waste. Dumped waste is a major fire risk and may contaminate your land or property. What's more, you will probably have to pay to have it lawfully removed and your insurance premiums may increase.

Check empty land and property regularly and make sure they are secure.

Don't become a criminal...

You may be committing an offence by allowing waste to be stored on your land or in your property without the relevant permissions which could leave you liable to prosecution.

Carry out rigorous checks on prospective and new tenants.

Do tell us...

If you discover criminals in the process of dumping waste on your land or in your property, do not approach them as they may be dangerous. Call the police immediately on 999.

If you are approached to store waste for someone else, discover waste has been dumped in your property or on your land, or you suspect that this is going on in your area, report it immediately:

Give information online on the Crimestoppers website:

www.crimestoppers-uk.org Call Crimestoppers anonymously: **0800 555 111**

Waste crime is a serious offence with tough penalties. It can damage the environment and blight communities. The Environment Agency is cracking down on waste crime and taking tough action to deal with criminal behaviour.