## 'Britain's worst landlord' fined for abusive e-mails

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The man the national press dubbed "Britain's worst landlord" has been ordered to pay £125,000 after a decade of abuse against council staff.

Fergus Wilson, who owns a multi-million-pound buy-to-let portfolio in Kent, was previously banned from contacting Ashford Borough Council for life. The £125,000 fine is thought to be just 70% of the final figure he will be charged.

Over the course of 10 years, Wilson sent hundreds of letters, e-mails and phone calls complaining about councillors and legal representatives and even told one councillor to kill himself.

The council's representative, Adam Soloman QC, handed in 454 items of correspondence to the High Court, sent by Wilson to council officials between February 2016 and July 2020.

Wilson has said he should not have to pay anything and intends to make an appeal.

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