



## CONTRACTS GYM & PHONE

Mobile phone contracts and gym memberships are usually credit agreements – this means that missing direct debits or trying to cancel subscriptions early can harm your credit score.



## PAYING MINIMUM ON CREDIT CARD

Paying minimum credit card payments – a balance of £1,000 could take 18 years and 5 months to repay\* costing £1,264 in interest (source money saving expert calculator of £1,000 debt at interest rate of 18.9%)



## BUY NOW PAY LATER

Buy Now Pay Later deals – interest is often charged during the non-payment period and this is added on to the debt and interest is charged, increasing the amount you repay.



## PAYDAY LOANS

Pay day loans – are expensive and should be viewed as a last option. You should avoid getting a pay day loan to repay other debts.



## OVERDRAFTS

Overdrafts – know the difference between authorised and unauthorised overdrafts. You have to apply for an authorised overdraft and your bank will set an agreed limit. You will normally be charged interest for using an authorised overdraft. If you go overdrawn without the bank's permission you will normally pay a higher rate of interest as well as fees.