Decision with Statement of Reasons of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber)

Chamber Ref: FTS/HPC/CV/19/1906

Property: 33 Dornoch Crescent, Kirkcaldy, Fife KY2 6YE

Parties:

Mrs Naila Latif, 28 Church Road, Yardely, Birmingham B25 8XE ("Applicant")

Adnan Ulhaq, 111 Caiyside, Edinburgh EH10 7HR ("Applicant's Representative")

Miss Jacqueline Greig Craigie, 33 Dornoch Crescent, Kirkcaldy, Fife KY2 6YE ("Respondent")

Tribunal Members:

Joan Devine (Legal Member)

Decision (in absence of the Respondent)

The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) ("Tribunal") determined that an order for payment should be made.

Background

The Applicant sought an order for payment of £4,550 in respect of arrears of rent. The Applicant had lodged with the Tribunal Form F. The documents produced were a Tenancy Agreement which commenced on 10 July 2018 and copy redacted bank statements showing payments made by the Respondent to the Applicant of £650 on 12 November 2018 and 10 December 2018.

Case Management Discussion

A case management discussion took place before the Tribunal on 4 September 2019 at Fife Voluntary Action, 16 East Fergus Place, Kirkcaldy. The Applicant's Representative was in attendance. There was no appearance on behalf of the Respondent.

Findings in Fact

The Tribunal made the following findings in fact:

- 1. The Applicant and the Respondent had entered into a Tenancy Agreement for the Property which commenced on 10 July 2018.
- 2. The rent in terms of clause 7 of the Tenancy Agreement was £650 per month.
- 3. The Respondent had paid rent from the commencement of the tenancy until September 2018 but had failed to make payment of rent due on 10 October 2018, 10 January, 10 February, 10 March, 10 April, 10 May and 10 June 2019. The total outstanding was £4,550.
- 4. Notice of the date of the hearing had been given to the Respondent by letter served by sheriff officer on 25 July 2019.

Reasons for the Decision

The Tribunal determined to make an Order for payment of £4,550. Rent was lawfully due in terms of clause 7 of the Tenancy Agreement at the rate of £650 per month. The rent had not been paid although due during the period 10 October 2018 to 10 June 2019, other than the rent that fell due on 10 November and 10 December 2018.

Decision

For the foregoing reasons, the Tribunal determined to make an Order for payment.

Right of Appeal

In terms of Section 46 of the Tribunal (Scotland) Act 2014, a party aggrieved by the decision of the Tribunal may appeal to the Upper Tribunal for Scotland on a point of law only. Before an appeal can be made to the Upper Tribunal, the party must first seek permission to appeal from the First-tier Tribunal. That party must seek permission to appeal within 30 days of the date the decision was sent to them.

Joan Øevine Legal Member 4 September 2019

Date