Decision with Statement of Reasons of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) under Section 71 of Private Housing (Tenancies) (Scotland) Act 2016

Chamber Ref: FTS/HPC/CV/24/2815

Re: Property at 63 Clavens Road, Glasgow, G52 4EG ("the Property")

#### Parties:

LDK Properties Limited, 4 Norman Macleod Crescent, Bearsden, Glasgow, G61 3BF ("the Applicant")

Ma Sharon Marshall, 63 Clavens Road, Glasgow, G52 4EG ("the Respondent")

### **Tribunal Members:**

Jim Bauld (Legal Member) Angus Lamont (Ordinary member)

**Decision (in absence of the Respondent)** 

The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) ("the Tribunal") determined that an order should be granted for payment in the sum of ONE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED AND THIRTY POUNDS (£1,930.00)

### Background

- By application dated 19 June 2024, the applicant sought an order under section 51 of ("the Act") and in terms of rule 111 of The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber (Procedure) Regulations 2017("the procedure rules").
- 2. On 16 July 2024 the application was accepted by the tribunal and referred for determination by the tribunal
- 3. A Case Management Discussion (CMD) was set to take place on 8 November 2024and appropriate intimation of that hearing was given to both parties.

 The application was heard together with a conjoined application involving the same parties for a payment order under tribunal reference FTS/HPC/EV/24/2814

# **The Case Management Discussion**

- 5. The Case Management Discussion (CMD) took place on 8 November 2024 via telephone case conference. The applicant was represented by their company secretary, Alison Kennedy. The Respondent did not take part.
- 6. The tribunal explained the purpose of the CMD and the powers available to the tribunal to determine matters.
- 7. The tribunal asked various questions of the applicant's representative with regard to the application.
- 8. She confirmed that she wished the order for payment to be made.

## **Findings in Fact**

- 9. The Applicant is the registered owner of the property.
- 10. The Applicant and the Respondent as respectively the landlord and tenant entered into a tenancy of the property which commenced on 14 June 2018
- 11. The tenancy was a private residential tenancy in terms of the Act.
- 12. The initial agreed monthly rental was £525. Rent was increased to £540 per month on 14 September 2023.
- 13. Arrears had started to accrue in May 2020 and at the date of the lodging of the application arrears amounted to £1,930.
- 14. The amount of arrears at the date of the CMD was £4,090.
- 15. Appropriate accounting had been provided in respect of the outstanding rent with the application to the tribunal.

### Reasons for Decision

- 16. The tribunal accepted the unchallenged evidence of the applicant regarding the outstanding sums. The tribunal noted that the respondent had failed to engage with both the applicant and with the tribunal despite having ample opportunity to do so.
- 17. The tribunal also exercised the power within rule 17 of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber (Procedure) Regulations 2017 and determined that a final order should be made at the CMD.

#### Decision

The order for payment of the sum of £ 1,930.00 is granted

## 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.

Jim Bauld	
	08/11/2024
Legal Member/Chair	Date