Housing and Property Chamber First-tier Tribunal for Scotland

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Repairing Standard Enforcement Order: Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 Section 24 (2)

Reference number: FTS/HPC/RP/24/4721

Re: Property at Flat 5/3, 19 Ashgrove Road. Glasgow G40 4AL (registered under title number GLA205819) ("Property")

The Parties:

Stephen Higgins and Joanne Higgins, Flat 5/3, 19 Ashgrove Road. Glasgow G40 4AL ("Tenant")

Link Housing Association Ltd t/a Curb Lettings, 2C New Mart Road, Edinburgh EH14 1RL ("Landlord")

Tribunal Members:

Joan Devine (Legal Member); Nick Allan (Ordinary Member)

Whereas in terms of its decision dated 14 July 2025, the Tribunal determined that the Landlord had failed to comply with the duty imposed on them by Section 14(1)(b) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006, and in particular that the Landlord has failed to ensure that the Property meets the repairing standard in that the Property is not wind and watertight and in all other respects reasonably fit for human habitation.

The Tribunal now requires the Landlord to carry out such works as are necessary for the purpose of ensuring that the Property meets the repairing standard and that any damage caused by the carrying out of any work in terms of this order is made good before the date specified in this order.

In particular the Tribunal requires the Landlord to:

 Deliver to the Tribunal for approval a specialist report from a suitably qualified independent structural engineer or architect to address the cause of the excessive noise and vibration in the roof space above the Property possibly caused by wind penetration, air pressure or roof flexing and recommend specified works to be undertaken to resolve the

- excessive noise and vibration within the Property in order to make the Property wind and watertight and comply with the repairing standard.
- Deliver to the Tribunal for approval a specialist report from a suitably qualified window specialist reviewing the options that could realistically be deployed to prevent excessive draughts and noise from the trickle vents above the roof terrace door frame.
- Once satisfactory reports have been approved by the Tribunal, to carry
 out such work as is recommended in terms of the reports provided the
 Tribunal confirm their approval of the works specified.

The Tribunal orders that the works specified in this order must be carried out and completed within the period of 12 weeks from the date of service of this notice.

A landlord, tenant or third party applicant 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.

In terms of Section 63 of the Act, where such an appeal is made, the effect of the decision and of any order is suspended until the appeal is abandoned or finally determined by the Upper Tribunal, and where the appeal is abandoned or finally determined by upholding the decision, the decision and any order will be treated as having effect from the day on which the appeal is abandoned or so determined.

Please note that in terms of section 28(1) of the Act, a landlord who, without reasonable excuse, fails to comply with a RSEO commits an offence liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale. A landlord (and that includes any landlord's successor in title) also commits an offence if he or she enters into a tenancy or occupancy arrangement in relation to a house at any time during which a RSEO has effect in relation to the house. This is in terms of Section 28(5) of the Act.

In witness whereof these presents type written on this and the preceding page are executed by Joan Devine, Legal Member of the Tribunal at Glasgow on 21 July 2025 in the presence of this witness: