Decision with Statement of Reasons of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) under Section 16 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2014

Chamber Ref: FTS/HPC/CV/25/1087

Re: Property at Flat 1/2, 37 Virginia Street, Glasgow, G1 1TS ("the Property")

Parties:

Mr Brian Henderson, 3 Clarendon Road, Stirling, FK8 2RN ("the Applicant")

Ms Maria Panizza Martins, Flat 1/2, 37 Virginia Street, Glasgow, G1 1TS ("the Respondent")

Tribunal Members:

Fiona Watson (Legal Member) and Elizabeth Williams (Ordinary Member)

Decision

The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) ("the Tribunal") determined that an order is granted against the Respondent for payment of the undernoted sum to the Applicant:

Sum of TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY POUNDS (£2,650) STERLING

- Background
- 1. An application was submitted to the Tribunal under Rule 70 of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber Rules of Procedure 2017 ("the Rules"), seeking a payment order against the Respondent in relation to rent arrears accrued under an assured tenancy agreement.
- The Case Management Discussion
- 2. A Case Management Discussion ("CMD") took place on 31 October 2025. The Applicant was represented by Ms Goodwillie of Russel & Aitken, solicitors. The

- Respondent appeared personally and represented herself. She was assisted by Neil McDonald, a Case Management Worker at Glasgow City Council.
- 3. A separate application by the Applicant seeking a repossession order against the Respondent under Rule 65 of the Rules and under case reference FTS/HPC/EV/25/2992 was heard at the same time.
- 4. The Applicant moved for the order for payment to be granted in the sum of £2,650, being the level of rent arrears outstanding at the date of the CMD. The parties had entered into an Assured Tenancy Agreement which commenced 2 January 2018. The Respondent had failed to make payment of rent and had fallen into arrears amounting to £4,250 at the date the application was submitted. These had reduced to £2,650 at the date of the CMD.
- 5. The Respondent submitted that she agreed that the arrears of £2,650 were due, and that she did no oppose an order for payment in that sum being granted. It was submitted that she would contact the Applicant's agent to propose a repayment arrangement to clear the arrears over time.
- Findings in Fact
- 6. The Tribunal made the following findings in fact:
- (a) The parties entered into an Assured Tenancy Agreement ("the Agreement") which commenced 2 January 2018;
- (b) In terms of Clause 4.1 of the Agreement, the Respondent was obliged to pay a monthly rent of £850 to the Applicant;
- (c) The Respondent had failed to make payment of rent as fell lawfully due, and had accrued arrears amounting to £2,650.
- Reasons for Decision
- 7. The Tribunal was satisfied that the Applicant was entitled to the sum as sought. The Respondent was obliged to make payment of rent in the sum of £850 per month under Clause 4.1 of the Agreement and had failed to do so. She had accrued arrears amounting to £2,650 and which fell lawfully due to be repaid to the Applicant. She did not oppose the order being sought.
- 8. Accordingly, the Applicant was entitled to the Order for Payment as sought.
- Decision
- 9. The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) granted an order against the Respondent for payment of the undernoted sum to the Applicant:

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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.

Date: 31 October 2025

Fiona Watson

Legal Member/Chair