# Housing and Property Chamber First-tier Tribunal for Scotland

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

Chamber Ref: FTS/HPC/CV/19/1433

Parties:

Stobmuir Enterprises Ltd, 15 Albert Street, Dundee, DD4 8NS ("the Applicant") per Mr Alec Campbell, Campbell Boath, Solicitors, 1 Stirling Street, Dundee DD3 6PJ

Ms Margaret Rafferty, 2/R 109 Clepington Road, Dundee, DD3 7NU ("the Respondent")

**Tribunal Members:** 

**David Preston (Legal Member)** 

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

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The tribunal determined that the respondent pay to the applicants the sum of £6008 being arrears of rent under the Tenancy Agreement between the parties.

## **Background:**

- 1. By application dated 9 May 2019 the applicant applied for an order for payment in respect of arrears of rent.
- 2. The papers before the tribunal comprised: Tenancy Agreement dated 21 July 2008; and a rent statement covering the period 1 June 2017 to 4 April 2019 showing arrears of rent to that date of £3800; letter dated 1 August 2019 with updated rent statement to show arrears as at that date of £6008; Sheriff Officer's Report dated 5 September 2019 and Certificate of Service dated 24 September 2019 confirming service of a full set of papers on the respondent including the letter dated 1 August 2019.

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# **Case Management Discussion**

- 3. Mr Campbell attended on behalf of the applicants. The respondent neither appeared nor was represented.
- 4. Notice of the CMD had been served on the respondent together with a full set of papers relating to the application including the letter dated 1 August 2019 and the updated rent statement. The tribunal was satisfied that due notice had been given to the respondent to which she had failed to respond.
- 5. The tribunal was advised that the respondent had removed from the property on or about 25 July 2019.

### **Reasons for Decision:**

- 6. Rule 17 of the Regulations states that the tribunal may do anything at a CMD which it may do at a hearing, including making a decision. The tribunal decided that, on the basis of the information presented to it, it was able to determine the application at the CMD.
- 7. The tribunal accepted the information in the file and as provided by Mr Campbell and determined to issue the 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.

David Preston	10 October 2019
Legal Member/Chair	Date