



**Decision with Statement of Reasons of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) under Section 71(1) of the Private Housing (Tenancies)(Scotland) Act 2016**

**Chamber Ref: FTS/HPC/CV/21/1155**

**Re: Property at 27 Barrowfield Street, Coatbridge, ML5 4BT (“the Property”)**

**Parties:**

**Mr Mohsin Akhtar, 10 Avonhead Road, Condorrat, Glasgow, G67 4RA (“the Applicant”)**

**Mrs Catherine Reid, 27 Barrowfield Street, Coatbridge, ML5 4BT (“the Respondent”)**

**Tribunal Members:**

**Alastair Houston (Legal Member)**

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

**The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) (“the Tribunal”) determined that an order for payment of £347.20 be made in favour of the Applicant.**

**1. Background**

- 1.1 This is an application for payment of outstanding rent due under the tenancy agreement between the parties. The application was accompanied by copies of the written tenancy agreement and a rent statement in the form of a spreadsheet.
- 1.2 A previous Case Management Discussion had taken place on 2 July 2021. The Applicant was represented on that occasion by Mr Clark, letting agent. The Respondent was neither present nor represented. The Case Management Discussion had been adjourned as Mr Clark had advised that payments towards the outstanding balance were expected from the Respondent’s former and partner and through the Department of Work & Pensions.

**2. The Case Management Discussion**

- 2.1 The further Case Management Discussion took place on 11 August 2021. The Applicant was again represented by Mr Clark. The Respondent was neither present nor represented. The Tribunal noted that intimation of the first Case Management Discussion had been given by Sheriff Officer and intimation of the further Case Management Discussion by post. Accordingly, the Tribunal saw fit to proceed in the Respondent's absence.
- 2.2 Mr Clark advised that the balance outstanding had been reduced to £347.20. Further payments were expected but it was not certain they would be made. He sought an order for payment in that sum.
- 2.3 Given the absence of any submission by the Respondent to the contrary, the Tribunal considered no hearing was required. Accordingly, an order in the reduced sum of £347.20 was made in favour of the Applicant.

### **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.**

11 August 2021

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**Legal Member/Chair**

**Date**