First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber)

Letting Agent Enforcement Order (LAEO): Section 48(8) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2014 ("The Act")

Reference number: FTS/HPC/LA/20/1765

The Parties:

Mr Luke Humberstone, 2/1 65 Causeyside Street, Paisley, PA1 1YT ("the Applicant")

1st Lets, 2 Calder Street, Glasgow, G42 7RT ("the Respondent")

Tribunal Members:

Karen Kirk (Legal Member) and Helen Barclay (Ordinary Member)

Whereas in terms of the decision dated 14th January 2021, The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) ('the Tribunal') determined that the Letting Agent has failed to comply with the Letting Agent Code of Practice ("The Code") and in particular that the Letting Agent has failed to comply with paragraphs 17 and 19 of the Code, the Tribunal now requires the Letting Agent to take such steps as are necessary to rectify the failures listed above.

The Tribunal requires the Letting Agent to: -

1. Pay the sum of £200 to the Applicant, as compensation for the loss and inconvenience caused by the numerous breaches of the Code.

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.

Please note that in terms of section 51(1) of the Act, a Letting Agent who, without reasonable excuse, fails to comply with an LAEO commits an offence liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

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