



**DECISION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS OF MARTIN J. MCALLISTER,  
LEGAL MEMBER OF THE FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL WITH DELEGATED  
POWERS OF THE CHAMBER PRESIDENT**

**Under Rule 8 of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property  
Chamber Rules of Procedure 2017 ("the Rules")**

**in connection with**

**24 High Street, New Pitsligo, AB43 6NL("the Property")**

**Case Reference: FTS/HPC/RP/21/3134**

**Mrs Patricia McAllister ("the Tenant")**

**Miss Kate Crawford ("the Landlord")**

1. The Tenant submitted an application which was received by the Tribunal on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 in terms of Section 22 (1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act. On 29<sup>th</sup> December, the Tenant emailed the Tribunal seeking to withdraw the application because the Landlord had indicated that repairs were to be done. On 14<sup>h</sup> January 2022, the Tribunal wrote to the Tenant seeking information about a particular matter that had been referred to in the application which raised an issue about the safety of the Property, No response was received from the Tenant and the Tribunal sent a reminder on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 and advised that, if a response was not received by 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022, the President may consider rejecting the application.

**DECISION**

2. The Legal Member considered the application in terms of Rule 5 and Rule 43

of the Chamber Procedural Rules. Rule 5 provides: - (1) An application is held to have been made on the date that it is lodged if, on that date, it is lodged in the manner as set out in rules 43, 47 to 50, 55, 59, 61, 65 to 70, 72, 75 to 91, 93 to 95, 98 to 101, 103 or 105 to 111, as appropriate. (2) The Chamber President or another member of the First-tier Tribunal, under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, must determine whether an application has been lodged in the required manner by assessing whether all mandatory requirements for lodgment have been met. (3) If it is determined that an application has not been lodged in the prescribed manner, the Chamber President or another member of the First-tier Tribunal, under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, may request further documents and the application is to be held to be made on the date that the First-tier Tribunal receives the last of any outstanding documents necessary to meet the requirement manner for lodgment. “

- 3. After consideration of the application the Legal Member considers that the application should be rejected in terms of Rule 8(1) (c) which states that an application must be rejected if the Tribunal has “good reason to believe that it would not be appropriate to accept the application.” The basis of the decision is that the Applicant has failed to comply with Rule 5 and Rule 48 and Section 22(3) of the 2006 Act.**

## **REASONS FOR DECISION**

4. The Tenant has failed to provide the information required by Rule 48 of the Rules and Section 22(3) of the 2006 Act. The Tenant has also failed to provide this information and documentation, having been directed to do so in a request for further information by the Tribunal, in terms of Rule 5(3) of the Rules. The Legal Member therefore determines that the application cannot be accepted. The application is rejected on that basis.

## **What you should do now**

If you accept the Legal Member's decision, there is no need to reply.

If you disagree with this decision –

An applicant aggrieved by the decision of the Chamber President, or any Legal Member acting under delegated powers, 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. Information about the appeal procedure can be forwarded to you on request.

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Martin J. McAllister, Legal Member  
28<sup>th</sup> February 2022