Decision with Statement of Reasons of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) under Rule 26 of The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber (Procedure) Regulations 2017.

Chamber Ref: FTS/HPC/RP/22/3909

Re: 1/3, 4 Underwood Road, Paisley, PA3 1TD ("the Property")

Parties:

Michelle McMenemy ("the Applicant")

Karen Tennie ("the Respondent")

Tribunal Member: M J. McAllister (Legal Member)

The Tribunal rejects the application by the applicant dated 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022 which is an application under Section 22 (1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 and Rule 48 of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber (Procedure) Regulations 2017.

- 1. The Applicant confirmed on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022 that her tenancy of the Property had ended prior to 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022.
- 2. The Law:

Section 22 (1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 states that:

"A tenant may apply to the First –tier Tribunal for determination of whether the landlord has failed to comply with the duty imposed by section 14 (1) (b)." The duty imposed by

section 14 is for a landlord to ensure that the house meets the repairing standard at all times during the tenancy.

- 3. The Applicant is no longer a tenant
- 4. The Applicant was not a tenant when the application was submitted. The statutory provision is clear. An application requires to be submitted by a tenant not a former tenant.
- Accordingly the Tribunal has good reason to believe that it would not be appropriate to accept the application and rejects the application in terms of rule 8 (1) (c) of the Tribunal.

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

J. McAllister, Legal Member, 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

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