



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/23/1581

Re: 16 Morris Crescent, Blantyre, G72 OBY ("the Property")

Parties:

Richard Collins ("the Applicant")

Alan McDade ("the Respondent")

Tribunal Member: Martin J. McAllister (Legal Member)

The Tribunal rejects the undated application by the Applicant received by it on or around 17th May 2023 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 advised that he had vacated the Property on 8th March 2023.
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 and has not been since 8th March 2023. The application was submitted over two months after the tenancy was terminated.
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.
5. 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

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Martin J. McAllister, Legal Member, 8th June 2023