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.

Case reference FTS/HPC/RP/23/0878

Parties

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Stonehouse Letting Aberdeen (Respondent)

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Tribunal Member: J Taylor (Legal Member)

The Tribunal rejects the application by the Applicant received by the Tribunal Administration on 21 March 2023, being an application under section 22(1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 requesting the Tribunal to determine if the property complies with the Repairing Standard.

1. The Application.

The Applicant made an application to the Tribunal under section 22(1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 requesting the Tribunal to determine if the property complies with the Repairing Standard. The Application was received by the Tribunal Administration on 21 March 2023. In the application the Applicant states that the tenancy was terminated on 10 March 2023. At the date of the application was received by the Tribunal Administration (21 March 2023) the Applicant was not a Tenant of the Property.

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. Decision.

The Tribunal have 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 Rules.

4. Reasons for the Decision:

The Chamber President has no discretion in whether or not to accept an application from a person or persons who are no longer tenants of a relevant property. The Applicant is no longer a tenant and was not a tenant on the date of the application. An application requires to be submitted by a tenant not a former tenant.

5. 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.

Legal Member	Date: 31 March 2023