Housing and Property Chamber

First-tier Tribunal for Scotland



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Property Factor Enforcement Order ("PFEO"): Property Factors (Scotland) Act 2011 ("Act") Section 19(2)(a)

Chamber Ref: FTS/HPC/PF/21/1272

Re: 30/5 Eyre Crescent, Edinburgh EH3 5EU ("Property")

The Parties:-

Aylmer Millen, 5 Hillpark Grove, Edinburgh EH4 7AP ("Homeowner")

James Gibb Limited, 4 Atholl Place, Edinburgh EH3 8HT ("Factor")

Tribunal Members:

Joan Devine – Chairing and Legal Member Colin Hepburn – Ordinary Member

Decision

The Tribunal has decided that it should make a PFEO in the terms originally proposed by it. The decision of the Tribunal is unanimous.

Reasons for the Decision

- 1. In the Tribunal's decision of 23 August 2021 it proposed to make a PFEO.
- 2. The Tribunal indicated that prior to making a PFEO it would provide the Parties with a period of 14 days within which to make representations under section 19(2)(b) of the Act.
- 3. By email dated 6 September 2021 the Homeowner made representations which were considered by the Tribunal.
- 4. The Tribunal confirms its decision made in terms of section 19(1)(a) of the Act. The Tribunal agreed that it would be appropriate to make a PFEO.

Property Factor Enforcement order

The First-tier Tribunal makes the following PFEO:

The Factor will pay to the Homeowner within 21 days of the date of service of this order the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds (£250) from their own funds in order to compensate the Homeowner for the inconvenience caused as a result of the Factor's failure to comply with the Property Factors Code of Conduct.

Failure to comply with a PFEO has serious consequences and may constitute an offence.

Appeals

In terms of section 46 of the Tribunals (Scotland) Act 2014 a homeowner or property factor 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 and Chair

Date : 23 September 2021