



**FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL
PROPERTY CHAMBER
(RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY)**

Case Reference : CHI/18UH/LVM/2021/0010/AW

Property : Haccombe House, Haccombe,
Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 4SJ

Applicant : Mr Ashley Bell
Tribunal Appointed Manager

Representative :

Respondent : Mr Mark Christie

Representative : Fursdon Knapper Solicitors

Type of Application : Application for directions regarding
whether the Mr Bell should become a party
to the contract between Mr
Christie/Plymouth Block Management and
Gates surveyors

Tribunal Member(s) : Judge Tildesley OBE
Mr W H Gater FRICS

**Date and venue of
Hearing** : 6 January 2022 at Havant Justice Centre
Parties joined by CVP

Date of Directions : 7 January 2022

DECISION

1. On 13 July 2021 in accordance with section 24(1) Landlord and Tenant Act 1987, Mr Ashley Bell of Whitton & Laing. Estate and Block Management, was appointed as manager of the Property known as Haccombe House, Haccombe, Newton Abbot, TQ12 4SJ with effect from 28 July 2021.
2. Mr Bell applied to the Tribunal for a direction as to whether he should accept liability in his capacity as Tribunal appointed manager for the contract made between the former Manager, Mr Mark Christie, and Gates Surveyors.
3. After hearing from Mr Bell and Mr Charles Knapper solicitor for Mr Christie, and noting that the subject contract was made between Haccombe House Management Limited and Gates Construction Consultants Limited, the Tribunal determined that it did not have jurisdiction to make the direction requested because the contract was not in the name of Mr Christie as Tribunal appointed manager.

Dated 6 January 2022

RIGHTS OF APPEAL

1. A person wishing to appeal this decision to the Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) must seek permission to do so by making application by email to rpsouthern@justice.gov.uk.
2. The application must arrive at the Tribunal within 28 days after the Tribunal sends to the person making the application written reasons for the decision.
3. If the person wishing to appeal does not comply with the 28 day time limit, the person shall include with the application for permission to appeal a request for an extension of time and the reason for not complying with the 28 day time limit; the Tribunal will then decide whether to extend time or not to allow the application for permission to appeal to proceed.
4. The application for permission to appeal must identify the decision of the Tribunal to which it relates, state the grounds of appeal, and state the result the party making the application is seeking.