

First-tier Tribunal (Property Chamber) Residential Property

Tribunal Reference: MAN/00CB/HBA/2022/0001

**Applicant:** Wirral Council

**Respondent:** Francis Edward Morrow

#### **BANNING ORDER**

### (Section 16 of the Housing and Planning Act 2016)

By this Order, **FRANCIS EDWARD MORROW** of 1 Berkeley Drive, New Brighton, Wirral, Merseyside CH45 1HN **IS BANNED** from:

- 1. letting housing in England;
- 2. engaging in English letting agency work; and
- 3. engaging in English property management work.

Mr Morrow **IS ALSO BANNED** from being involved in any body corporate that carries out any of the above activities. He may not act as an officer of such a body corporate or directly or indirectly take part in, or be concerned in, its management.

Subject to the following exception, these bans take effect immediately. They will last for a period of **THREE YEARS** from the date of this Order.

In recognition of the need for appropriate transitional arrangements to be made, the ban on letting housing in England is subject to an exception: Mr Morrow may continue to let the housing listed in the Annex hereto for a period of up to three months from the date of this Order. However, he must not grant any new tenancies during this period.

Signed: J W HOLBROOK Judge of the First-tier Tribunal

Date: 10 January 2023

#### **NOTES:**

- 1. A person who breaches a banning order commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 51 weeks or to a fine or to both. Alternatively, a local housing authority may impose a financial penalty of up to £30,000 on a person whose conduct amounts to that offence.
- 2. A person who is subject to a banning order that includes a ban on letting may not make an unauthorised transfer of an estate in land to a prohibited person. Any such transfer is void (see section 27 of the Housing and Planning Act 2016).
- 3. A breach of a banning order does not affect the validity or enforceability of any provision of a tenancy or other contract.
- 4. A person against whom a banning order is made may apply to the Tribunal for an order under section 20 of the 2016 Act revoking or varying the order.
- 5. The expressions "English letting agency work" and "English property management work" have the meanings given to them by sections 54 and 55 of the 2016 Act respectively.
- 6. The reasons for making this banning order are set out in a Decision issued separately by the Tribunal.

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## **ANNEX**

# (List of housing to which 3-month exception to the ban on letting applies)

- 1. 60 Birkenhead Road, Seacombe, Wirral, Merseyside CH44 7BY
- 2. 64 Birkenhead Road, Seacombe, Wirral, Merseyside CH44 7BY