

FIRST - TIER TRIBUNAL PROPERTY CHAMBER (RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY)

Case Reference : TR/LON/00AE/F77/2023/0160

Property: 110a High Street, Harlesden, London,

NW10 4SL

Tenant : Mr Patrick Meredith

Landlord : Samad Abdullah Kaka

Date of Objection : 10 May 2023

Type of Application : Section 70, Rent Act 1977

Tribunal : Mr A Harris LLM FRICS FCIArb

Date of Summary

Reasons : 9 November 2023

DECISION

The sum of £129.00 per week will be registered as the fair rent with effect from 9 November 2023, being the date the Tribunal made the Decision.

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SUMMARY REASONS

Background

1. Following an objection from the Tenant to the determination of a fair rent by the Rent Officer, the Tribunal has made a determination under the provisions of the Rent Act 1977.

Inspection

2. The Tribunal has carried out an inspection of the property on 9 November 2023.

Evidence

3. The Tribunal has consideration of the written submissions provided by the Tenant and the Landlord.

Determination and Valuation

- 4. The Tribunal has to find two figures, the market rent adjusted for scarcity and the capped rent with the lower figure being registered.
- 5. Having consideration of the comparable evidence proved by the parties and our own expert, general knowledge of rental values in the area, we consider that the open market rent for the property in the condition and with the amenities the market would expect would be in the region of £350.00 per week. From this level of rent we have made adjustments in relation to:
 - a. The extensive tenants improvements including central heating, double glazing, a new roof and internal alterations and modernisation

The Tribunal has also made an adjustment for scarcity.

6. The full valuation is shown below:

Fair rent			
		per week	
Market rent		£	350.00
less condition & terms	50%	<u>-£</u>	175.00
adjusted rent		£	175.00
less scarcity off adj rent	20%	<u>-£</u>	35.00
Fair rent		£	140.00

7. The Tribunal determines a rent of £140 per week as the S70 rent.

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8. The uncapped fair rent initially determined by the Tribunal, for the purposes of section 70, was £140.00 per week. The capped rent for the property according to the provisions of the Rent Acts (Maximum Fair Rent) Order 1999 is calculated at £129.00 per week. The calculation of the capped rent is shown on the decision form. In this case the lower rent of £129.00 per week is to be registered as the fair rent for this property.

Chairman: A Harris Date: 2023

APPEAL PROVISIONS

These summary reasons are provided to give the parties an indication as to how the Tribunal made its decision. If either party wishes to appeal this decision, they should first make a request for full reasons and the details of how to appeal will be set out in the full reasons. Any subsequent application for permission to appeal should be made on Form RP PTA