

# FIRST - TIER TRIBUNAL PROPERTY CHAMBER (RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY)

Case Reference : LON/00BG/MNR/2024/0617

Property: Flat 1, Recurrence Apartments, 357

Commercial Road, E1 2PS

Tenant : Miss Lothifa Choudhury

Landlord : Mr Anthony Rabicano

Date of Objection : 12 August 2024

Type of Application : Determination of a Market Rent

sections 13 & 14 of the Housing Act

1988

Tribunal : Mrs S Phillips

**Date of Summary** 

Reasons : 2 December 2024

#### **DECISION**

The Tribunal determines a rent of £1,800 per calendar month with effect from 15 August 2024.

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#### **SUMMARY REASONS**

# **Background**

- 1. On 1 July 2024 the Landlord served a notice under Section 13(2) of the Housing Act 1988 which proposed a new rent of £1,800 in place of the existing rent of £1,581 per month to take effect from 15 August 2024.
- 2. On 12 August 2024 under Section 13(4)(a) of the Housing Act 1988, the Tenant referred the Landlord's notice proposing a new rent to the Tribunal for determination of a market rent. The Tenant's referral was received by the Tribunal on 12 August 2024.

## Inspection

3. The Tribunal did not inspect the property but considered this case on the basis of the papers provided by the parties.

### **Evidence**

4. The Tribunal has consideration of the written submissions provided by the Tenant and the Landlord including the comparable information provided by the Landlord.

### **Determination and Valuation**

5. Having consideration of the comparable evidence provided by the Landlord and of our own expert, general knowledge of rental values in the area, we consider that the open market rent for the property in good tenantable condition would be in the region of £2,000 per calendar month. From this level of rent we have made adjustments in relation to:

No provision of white goods within the property; No provision of curtains in the property.

6. The full valuation is shown below:

Market Rent		per calendar month £2,000
Less No white goods No curtains	) 5% ) 5%	<u>£200</u> £1,800

7. The Tribunal determines a rent of £1,800 per calendar month.

### **Decision**

8. The Tribunal therefore determined that the rent at which the subject property might reasonably be expected to be let in the open market by a willing Landlord under an assured tenancy was £1,800 per calendar month.

9. The Tribunal directs the new rent of £1,800 to take effect on 15 August 2024, this being the date as set out in the Landlord's Notice of Increase.

Chairman: Mrs S Phillips MRICS Date: 2 December 2024

## **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 request for full reasons should be made within a month. Any subsequent application for permission to appeal should be made on Form RP PTA.