



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

Case Reference : **LON/00AJ/F77/2024/0627**

Property : **24 Garrett Close, London W3 6TB**

Tenant : **Mr and Mrs Mouali**

Landlord : **Peabody Trust**

Date of Objection : **22 August 2024**

Type of Application : **Rent Act 1977**

Tribunal : **Ian B Holdsworth FRICS**
RICS Registered Valuer 079475

**Date of Summary
Reasons** : **9 December 2024**

DECISION

The sum of £ 300 per week will be registered as the fair rent with effect from 9 December 2024, being the date the Tribunal made the Decision.

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

Evidence

3. There were written submissions from the parties.

Determination and Valuation

4. Having consideration of our own expert, general knowledge of rental values in the area, we consider that the open market rent for the property in a satisfactory condition would be in the region of **£700 per week**. From this level of rent we have made adjustments to reflect any tenant improvements, disrepair and obsolescence at the property. Details of the adjustments made are shown in the valuation table below.

5. The Tribunal has also made an adjustment for scarcity.

6. The full rental valuation is shown below:

Property: 24 Garrett Close, London W3 6TB						
Fair rent calculation in accordance with s(70) Rent Act 1977						
Market rent				£700.00	per week	
Disregards				Deduction per week	as % of rent per week	
Carpets , curtains white, goods, soft furnishing				£17.50	2.50%	
Internal decoration liability				£17.50	2.50%	
Dilapidations and obsolescence				Deduction per week	as % of rent per week	
Dated Kitchen and Bathroom				£ 70.00	10.00%	
Defective windows				£ 17.50	2.50%	
Improvements undertaken by tenant				Deduction per week	as % of rent per week	
None advised						
Total deductions				£122.50	17.50%	
Adjusted Rent balance				£577.50		
Less Scarcity 20.00%				£115.50		
Adjusted Market Rent				£462.00	per week	Uncapped rent
Capped rent in accordance with				£300.00	per week	Capped rent
Rent Acts (Maximum Fair Rent) Order 1999						

7. The Tribunal determines a rent of £300 per week.

Decision

8. The uncapped fair rent initially determined by the Tribunal, for the purposes of section 70, was £462 per week. The capped rent for the property according to the provisions of the Rent Acts (Maximum Fair Rent) Order 1999 is calculated at £300 per week. The calculation of the capped rent is shown on the decision form. In this case the lower rent of £300 per week is to be registered as the fair rent for this property.

Chairman: Ian B Holdsworth

Date: 9 December 2024

GUIDANCE ON APPEAL PROVISIONS

You can only appeal this determination if the First-tier Tribunal decision was wrong on one or more points of law and you must say why the First-tier Tribunal was wrong in law.

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