

FIRST - TIER TRIBUNAL PROPERTY CHAMBER (RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY)

Case Reference : LON/00AW/F77/2024/0683

Property: Flat 3 Crossfield Court, Cambridge

Gardens, London, W10 6HY

Tenant : Mr AW Noble

Landlord : Peabody

Date of Objection : 29 October 2024

Type of Application : Section 70, Rent Act 1977

Tribunal : Mr A Parkinson MRICS

Date : 22 January 2025

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DECISION

The sum of £241.50 per week will be registered as the fair rent with effect from 22 January 2025, 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 did not inspect the property but considered this case on the basis of the papers provided by the parties.

Evidence

3. The Tribunal has consideration of the written submissions provided by the Tenant. There were no written submissions from the Landlord.

Determination and Valuation

4. Having consideration of the comparable evidence provided by the Tenant and our own expert, general knowledge of rental values in the area, we consider that the open market rent for the property in its current condition would be in the region of £500 per week. From this level of rent we have made adjustments in relation to:

Lease terms
No white goods, furniture, floor coverings or curtains
Unmodernised kitchen and bathroom
Condition

- 5. The Tribunal has also made an adjustment for scarcity.
- 6. The full valuation is shown below:

Market Rent			per week £500.00
Less Lease terms No white goods, furniture, floor of Date bathroom and kitchen Condition	coverings or curtains)	Total approx. 30%
			£150.00 £350.00
Less Scarcity	approx. 20%		<u>£ 70.00</u> £280.00

7. The Tribunal determines a rent of £280.00 per week.

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8. The uncapped fair rent initially determined by the Tribunal, for the purposes of section 70, was £280.00 per week. The capped rent for the property according to the provisions of the Rent Acts (Maximum Fair Rent) Order 1999 is calculated at £241.50 per week. The calculation of the capped rent is shown on the decision form. In this case the lower rent of £241.50 per week is to be registered as the fair rent or this property.

Chairman: Mr A Parkinson Date: 22 February 2025

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