

FIRST - TIER TRIBUNAL PROPERTY CHAMBER (RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY)

Case Reference : LON/00BG/F77/2025/0129

Property: First Floor Flat 47 Redcliffe Square,

London SW10 9HG

Tenant : Mrs Harriet F Newall

Landlord : Northumberland & Durham Property

c/o Grainger Plc

Date of Landlord's

Objection : 12 February 2025

Type of Application : Section 70, Rent Act 1977

Tribunal : Mr D Jagger MRICS

Date of Summary

Reasons : 14 October 2025

DECISION

The sum of £1,368 per calendar month will be registered as the fair rent with effect from 14 October 2025, 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.
- 2. The parties did not request a hearing or an inspection.to determine this matter and the Tribunal agreed with this arrangement. The Tribunal considered this case on the basis of the papers provided by the parties and the Rent Officer with the assistance of Rightmove and Google Maps.

Evidence

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3. The Tribunal received a copy of a hand written letter to the Rent Officer from the Tenant. The Landlord did not complete the Reply Statement. The Tribunal had before it, the Rent Officers two Registrations and calculations for the most recent registration on the 28 January 2025 to take effect on the 5 March 2025.

Determination and Valuation

4. Having consideration of the Landlords evidence and our own expert, general knowledge of rental values in the Chelsea area, we consider that the open market rent for the property in its current condition would be in the region of £2850 per calendar month From this level of rent we have made adjustments in relation to:

Terms of tenancy agreement, no white goods, no carpets or curtains, dated kitchen and sanitary fittings, the bathroom and lavatory are located on the half landing and no central heating. This equates to approximately 40%

5. The Tribunal has also made an adjustment for scarcity at 20%

6. The full valuation is shown below:

Market Rent £2850 pm

approx. 40%

£1140

£1710

Less Scarcity approx. 20% <u>£342</u>

£1368 pm

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7. The uncapped fair rent initially determined by the Tribunal, for the purposes of section 70, was £1368 per calendar month. The capped rent for the property according to the provisions of the Rent Acts (Maximum Fair Rent) Order 1999 is calculated at £1519 per calendar month. The calculation of the capped rent is shown on the decision form.

8. In this case therefore the lower rent of £1368 per calendar month is to be registered as the fair rent for this property.

Chairman: Duncan Jagger MRICS Date: 14 October 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 subsequent application for permission to appeal should be made on Form RP PTA