

Appeal number: CA/2015/0001

## FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL (CHARITY) GENERAL REGULATORY CHAMBER

### THE HON. RICHARD CAVENDISH LYTTELTON Appellant

- and -

## THE CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND Respondents AND WALES (1)

# THE CORPORATION OF THE HALL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES (2)

TRIBUNAL: JUDGE JONATHAN HOLBROOK

### Sitting in Chambers on 20 July 2015

Upon considering written representations made by the parties

#### **IT IS DIRECTED** as follows:

- 1. The Corporation of the Hall of Arts and Sciences ("the Charity") is added as a respondent to the appeal.
- 2. By 5pm on 22 July 2015, the Appellant must serve upon the Charity a copy of the Notice of Appeal and each of the documents attached thereto. He must also serve a copy of all previous Directions given by the Tribunal in these proceedings.
- 3. By 5pm on 5 August 2015, the Charity must serve its application for the appeal to be struck out. The application must be accompanied by a detailed statement of the grounds on which it is made.

- 4. By 5pm on 19 August 2015, the Appellant must serve a reply to that application. The Charity Commission may also serve a reply by the same time if it so wishes.
- 5. The application for the appeal to be struck out will be listed for an oral hearing in London, with a time estimate of three hours. The parties are requested to provide the Tribunal with their dates to avoid during September 2015 by 5pm on 27 July 2015, following which the Tribunal will notify them of the hearing date and venue.

#### **REASONS**

- 1. On 23 June 2015, the Charity applied to be added as a respondent to the appeal. The Charity Commission supports that application and the Appellant has not opposed it. I therefore consider it appropriate, for the reasons stated in the Charity's application, to grant the application and to direct that the Charity be added as a respondent under rule 9(1) of the Tribunal's procedural rules.
- 2. In its application to be joined (and also in an email from its solicitors to the Tribunal dated 10 July 2015), the Charity has indicated that it wishes to apply for the appeal to be struck out forthwith. Given that the most recent stay of these proceedings expired on 16 July 2015 without any application being made for an extension, I have given additional directions to facilitate such an application being dealt with by the Tribunal. I have assumed that the parties will wish to address the Tribunal on the matter at a preliminary hearing. However, if the parties consider that it is suitable for a paper determination, they should notify the Tribunal of this as soon as possible.
- 3. I am, of course, aware that a further preliminary issue (that of the Appellant's standing to make the appeal) also remains at large. It is not yet clear to me whether it would be appropriate for that issue to be determined at the same time as the application for the appeal to be struck out. The parties are therefore invited to comment on that question within the next 14 days.

SIGNED: J W HOLBROOK

DATED: 20 July 2015

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