



**Appeal number: CA/2016/0006**

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

**KEITH COLMAN**

**Appellant**

**- and -**

**THE CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND  
WALES**

**Respondent**

**TRIBUNAL: JUDGE ALISON MCKENNA**

**Sitting in Chambers on 24 April 2017**

**DIRECTIONS**

Upon the Appellant's application for a postponement of hearing for a period of six months from 24 April 2017

**IT IS DIRECTED**

1. That the hearing listed for 30 May 2017 is vacated and the hearing postponed to the first available date after 30 November 2017;

2. That the Appellant is to provide a written update to the Tribunal and the Respondent on (i) the likelihood of a sale being agreed and (ii) any anticipated exchange and completion dates, on 30 June 2017 and on the 30<sup>th</sup> of every month thereafter until completion of the sale or further order;
3. That unless the Appellant withdraws the appeal beforehand, the parties are to provide the Tribunal with dates to avoid (for their representatives and witnesses) for a hearing during December 2017 by no later than 30 September 2017.

### **REASONS**

1. This matter is currently listed for hearing on 30 May 2017. Following my Ruling of 6 April, the time estimate has been reduced to one day. The bundles have already been prepared.
2. The Appellant has requested that the hearing be postponed for a period of six months as he considers that the property may be sold during that time. He appears content for the Respondent's Order to remain in place in the meantime. The Respondent agrees to the postponement.
3. If the property is sold, I understand that the extant Order will protect the charity's interest in the proceeds of sale. The Appellant will need to decide and inform the Tribunal and the Respondent whether, if a sale is made, he still wishes to appeal the Order.
4. The Tribunal's overriding objective requires me to consider the avoidance of delay and this matter has already, for good reason, taken a long time to come to a hearing. It is unlikely that I will permit a further postponement of the hearing without a very compelling case being made. For those reasons, a further hearing date must be fixed in good time.
5. In the circumstances, I agree to the postponement requested by the Appellant and have directed accordingly.

(Signed)  
Alison McKenna  
Principal Judge

Dated: 24 April 2017

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