



**Appeal number: CA/2014/0011
CRR/2014/0007**

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

**THRIFT URBAN HOUSING LIMITED
PETER ALMAN**

Appellants

- and -

**THE CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND
AND WALES**

Respondent

TRIBUNAL: JUDGE ALISON MCKENNA

UPON READING the Notice of Appeal and the Response

AND UPON hearing from Mr Alman for the Appellants and Ms Holt for the Respondent at a telephone directions hearing on 29 October 2014

IT IS DIRECTED THAT:

Mode and length of hearing

1. The appeal and the review applications are to be heard together and listed for an oral hearing in London, with a time estimate of two days. The parties are requested to provide the Tribunal with the dates to avoid for their representatives and witnesses during the period 12 December 2014 to 30 January 2015 as soon as possible, following which the Tribunal will notify them of the hearing date and venue;

Agreed bundle of documents

2. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree the contents of a bundle of documents for the Tribunal hearing, in accordance with the arrangements set out below;
3. The first draft of the index to the hearing bundle is to be prepared by the Respondent and served on the Appellants by 5pm on 14 November 2014;
4. By 5pm on 21 November 2014, the Appellants are to notify the Respondent whether there are any additional documents in their possession that they wish to add to the bundle. The Appellants are to supply a copy of any documents to the Respondent if so requested;
5. A consolidated version of the bundle is to be prepared by the Respondent and forwarded to the Appellants by 5pm on 28 November 2014;

Witness statements

6. By 5pm on 5 December 2014 the parties are to exchange with each other any written witness statements on which they wish to rely at the hearing or to confirm that they will not be calling witness evidence;
7. The witness statements (which must contain a statement of truth) are to stand as evidence in chief at the hearing, although supplementary questions may be asked with the permission of the Tribunal. No party is to call any witness in respect of whom a written statement has not been exchanged without the Tribunal's permission. Each party is to notify the other if they wish to cross examine any witness in respect of whom a statement has been filed by 5pm on 12 December 2014. If witness statements refer to any documents in the bundle, the relevant page number is to be used in the statement;

Lodging of bundles with the Tribunal

8. A final version of the hearing bundle, to include any witness statements and any exhibits, is to be prepared by the Respondent and four copies are to be lodged with the Tribunal by 5pm on 12 December 2014. A further copy is also to be brought by the Respondent to the hearing for use by witnesses (if

any).

Skeleton arguments

9. Statements of Case (Skeleton arguments) are to be exchanged by the parties and lodged with the Tribunal by e mail, by no later than 7 days before the hearing date.

Bundle of authorities and statutory materials

10. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree a bundle of authorities and statutory materials, in accordance with the directions below.
11. The first draft of the index to the authorities bundle is to be prepared by the Respondent and served on the Appellants by 5pm on 28 November 2014;
12. By 5pm on 5 December 2014 the Appellants are to notify the Respondent whether there are additional materials which they wish to be included in the authorities bundle;
13. A consolidated version of the authorities bundle is to be prepared by the Respondent and provided to the Appellants by 5pm on 12 December 2014;
14. The index (only) to this bundle is to be sent by e mail to the Tribunal by no later than 7 days prior to the hearing and three hard copies are to be lodged with the Tribunal at the hearing.

Other

15. The parties have permission to apply to vary these directions or to apply for further directions provided such application is in writing setting out the full reasons for the application and (where applicable) before the time limit for complying with the direction has been reached.

Principal Judge
30 October 2014

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