LICENSING COMMITTEE INFORMATION SHEET 24 April 2024

Public Application

TYPE OF APPLICATION: HMO LICENCE APPLICATION (NEW) APPLICANT: THOMAS ROGERSON AGENT: NONE ADDRESS: 1 ELMFIELD TERRACE, ABERDEEN

INFORMATION NOTE

- Application Submitted 12/05/2023
- Determination Date 11/05/2024

At the date of drafting this Information Note, a new HMO licence cannot be granted for the reason that certification requirements have not been completed. The meeting of the Licensing Committee on 24 April 2024, is the last meeting before the one-year statutory deadline for determining this HMO licence application. Therefore if the property is still unsuitable for occupation as an HMO by the day of the Committee, and the Committee are minded to refuse the application, they must do so at the meeting on 24 April 2024. I will advise the Committee whether the applicant has satisfactorily completed the necessary certification.

DESCRIPTION

The property at 1 Elmfield Terrace, Aberdeen, is a 2 Storey, semi-detached property, providing accommodation of 3 letting bedrooms, kitchen, lounge and shower room. The applicant has requested an occupancy of 3 tenants, which is acceptable in terms of space and layout.

CONSULTEES

- Police Scotland
- Scottish Fire & Rescue Service
- A public Notice of HMO Application was displayed outside the building for the 21-day statutory period, alerting the general public to the HMO licence application.

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

- Police Scotland no objections
- Scottish Fire & Rescue Service no objections
- General public no objections

COMMITTEE GUIDELINES/POLICY

All applications for HMO licences are dealt with in accordance with the Scottish Government's document: *Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation: Statutory Guidance for Scottish Local*

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GROUNDS FOR REFUSAL

This application is being dealt with under the provisions of Part 5 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006, as amended. Available grounds of refusal are as follows:

- 1) The applicant and/or agent is not considered to be a 'fit & proper' person to hold an HMO licence, and
- 2) The property is unsuitable for occupation as an HMO for one, some or all of the following reasons:
- i) Its location
- ii) Its condition
- iii) Any amenities it contains
- iv) The type & number of persons likely to occupy it
- v) Whether any rooms within it have been subdivided
- vi) Whether any rooms within it have been adapted, resulting in an alteration to the water & drainage pipes within it
- vii) The safety & security of persons likely to occupy it
- viii) The possibility of undue public nuisance

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- The applicant is not registered as a landlord with this Council for 1 Elmfield Terrace, Aberdeen.
- The Council's Community Safety Team has no record of any complaints of anti-social behaviour involving 1 Elmfield Terrace, Aberdeen.
 - The following certificates must be provided: 1. Copy of PRT tenancy agreement with the Anti-Social behaviour clause.