EASTERN RENT ASSESSMENT PANEL

Summary Statement Of Reasons for the decision of the Committee which met on 23 February 2004 to determine a Rent in respect of 84 Chester Road, Watford, Herts WD18 0RH

Landlord:

BPT (Bradford Property Trust)

Tenant:

Mr R Oram

Rent at Date of Application:

£40.00 per week

Rent Proposed by Landlord:

£100.00 per week

Rent Determined by Committee: £54.00 per week

Members of the Committee:

Mrs Tessa J Gordon

Chairman

Miss M Krisko BSC (EST MAN)

Valuer Lay Member

Mr Barry Tyers

THE PREMISES:

Terrace house known as 84 Chester Road, Watford, Herts

WD18 0RH

ACCOMODATION:

2 Living rooms, Kitchen, external WC, 3 bedrooms (according

to the Tenant's Application Form dated 7/1/04 and not

challenged by the Landlord).

CONDITION:

Externally: very poor. No access to internal parts.

TENANT'S IMPROVEMENTS:

According to the Tenant's Application Form these include

Tenant's heating appliances, electricity supply, back gate and

brick wall (not challenged by the Landlord).

LOCATION:

Narrow residential street in Watford.

THE LAW APPLIED:

Section 14 Housing Act 1988 as amended.

OPEN MARKET RENT:

Taking into account Committee members' knowledge and experience, decided at £155 per week for similar property in good condition with modern facilities, carpets, curtains and some white goods.

COMMITTEE'S CALCULATIONS:

Open market rent

£155.00pw

less global deduction for condition and

lack of modern facilities, white goods etc

£101.00pw

Open market for subject property

£54.00pw

DECISION:

The Committee determined a rent of £54.00 per week, exclusive of rates and Council Tax to take effect from 19 January 2004.

Mrs Tessa J Gordon

Chairman

Important Note: This is a summary of the Committee's reasons for its decision. Should you require more detailed reasons, they can be supplied but only if a written request for such reasons is received by the Panel Office within 21 days from the receipt of this document. The papers will then be returned to the Chair for such detailed reasons to be prepared.

Caution:

For the purpose of reaching a decision the Committee inspected the subject properties. Such inspection is not a structural survey and only takes a few minutes. Any comments about the condition of the properties in this Statement of Reasons are made as a result of casual observation rather than a detailed inspection. Please do not rely upon such comments as a guide to the structural condition of the properties.