Catherine Houldsworth & Margaret MacDonald The Doon Inn 93 Broompark Road Blantyre Glasgow G72 9SQ Our ref: SG/MF 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Madam,

## Valuation Appeal Hearing: 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017 Subjects: Public House, The Doon Inn, 93 Broompark Road, Blantyre, Glasgow, G72 9SQ

I refer to the above appeal which called for hearing on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

Your agent Stewart Kennedy of Professional Rating Practitioners did not attend the hearing.

I am writing to notify you that when this case called, the Committee in terms of Regulation 13(2) of the Valuation Appeal Committee (Procedure in Appeals Under the Valuation Acts) (Scotland) Regulations 1995 (S.I.1995/572) decided that there were good and sufficient reasons why the Committee should refuse to permit your agent Stewart Kennedy to represent you at the hearing.

It took this decision in your case for the following reasons.

- 1. It is satisfied from its own dealings with Mr Kennedy that he lacks a proper understanding of valuation law and practice.
- 2. Mr Kennedy has abused the privilege of lodging appeals on behalf of ratepayers and conducting appeals before committees of the Panel.
- 3. The Panel are aware of instances where Mr Kennedy has lodged appeals without the authority of the ratepayer, and he has offered no explanation for this.

The appeal has accordingly been postponed and this will be re-cited for hearing in due course. You may wish to take the opportunity meantime to engage an alternative agent to represent you at the hearing.

If you wish any clarification, please simply let me know.

Yours faithfully,

Stewart Graham Panel Secretary

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