

# Costs Decision

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<b>Appeal Reference:</b>	2022/A0135
<b>Claim by:</b>	Mr Gary Mullan
<b>Claim Against:</b>	Derry City and Strabane District Council
<b>Decision by:</b>	The Commission, dated 28 March 2024

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The Commission has considered the report by Commissioner Kieran O'Connell and accepts his analysis of the issues and recommendation that a partial award of costs should be made.

## Order

**It is hereby ordered** that Derry City and Strabane District Council shall pay to Mr Gary Mullan the costs of the appeal proceedings, limited to those costs incurred in respect of dealing with the discrete matter relating to the size of the HMO.

On receipt of this order the Mr Gary Mullan may submit details of those costs to Derry City and Strabane District Council with a view to reaching agreement on the amount. If the parties are unable to agree, the claimant may refer the matter to the Taxing Master of the High Court for a detailed assessment.

**ANDREA KELLS**  
Chief Commissioner