IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE QUEEN'S BENCH DIVISION

Before Master Dagnall Friday the 30th day of April 2021 and Tuesday the 4th day of May 2021

Dated 30 April 2021

BETWEEN

Anonymised Party GLR

- and -

Watford Community Housing Trust



ORDER

UPON the Application ("the Application") of the Claimant/Applicant ("the Claimant) made by Notice of Application dated on 23 February 2021 and which has been listed for hearing on 5 May 2021 ("the May Hearing")

AND UPON consideration of Application and evidence in support

AND UPON reading letters from the Defendant's solicitors to the Court and the Claimant dated 29 April 2021 and emails from the Defendant's and the Claimant's solicitors to the Court dated 3rd May 2021 and the Court substituting this Order for one (unsealed) made on 30th April 2021

AND UPON consideration of the Claimant's Article 8 right to respect for private and family life and the Article 10 right to freedom of expression

AND UPON Court considering the Notice of Application and the accompanying draft order sought by it and the evidence in support AND THAT:

- 1. The action is one which might attract media attention and publicity.
- 2. The action relates to alleged threatened misuse of private information
- 3. The Claimant is a vulnerable adult.
- 4. Publicity revealing the identity or address/location of the Claimant could unfairly damage the interest of the Claimant and their family and give rise to serious harm to the Claimant or their family; and further destroy or damage the purpose of the proceedings and the remedies sought therein.
- 5. Non-disclosure of the identity of and anonymity of the Claimant and of their family and of their addresses/locations is necessary in order to protect the interests of the Claimant and to secure the proper administration of justice.
- 6. The Claimant's identity and address/location ought to be withheld from the public and should not be published, and that the Court should allow these prohibitions and give consequential directions, and that such prohibitions are necessary to secure the proper administration of justice
- It is necessary to sit in private to secure the proper administration of justice, and including because publicity would subvert the purpose of the Application and this Order
- 8. To hold a hearing at this point would seem to unnecessary and a potential waste of time, cost and resource and contrary to the overriding objective.

AND pursuant to the section 11 Contempt of Court Act 1981, Civil Procedure Rules 1998 rules 1.1, 1.2, 3.1, 3.3, 3.10, 5.4 A-D and 39.2 and the inherent jurisdiction of the Court.

IT IS ORDERED AND DIRECTED that:

- The identity and the address/location of the Claimant and of their family be not disclosed or published without the permission of the court (other than as required for the purposes of the carrying on of this action).
- 2. There be substituted for all purposes in this application in place of references to the Claimant by name, and whether orally or in writing, reference to the sequence of characters, GLR; and the Claimant shall be described in all statements of case and other documents to be filed or served in the proceedings and in any judgment or order in the proceedings and in any report of the proceedings by the press or otherwise as "GLR".
- The address of the Claimant be stated in all statements of case and other documents to be filed or served in the proceedings as the address of the Claimant's solicitors.
- 4. That insofar as necessary, any statement of case or other document disclosing the Claimant's name or address already filed in the proceedings be replaced by a document describing such name or address in anonymised form as above (and in the meantime shall be kept confidential), and the Claimant's solicitor shall have permission to file with the court such copies of such documents adjusted so as to comply therewith.
- 5. The original of any such statement of case or other document disclosing the name or address/location of the Claimant (and in particular any Application Notice, or any statement of case, judgment, Order or other document to which anyone might have access to pursuant to Rule 5.4 A-D or otherwise at any time) are to be retained by the Court in a sealed envelope, marked "Not to be opened without the permission of a Judge or Master or District Judge of the Queen's Bench Division", or, if electronically filed or scanned, shall be placed on the court file and marked "confidential: not to be opened without the permission of a Master or High Court Judge".
- 6. Any person not a party to this action may not inspect or obtain a copy of any document on or from the Court file (other than this order duly anonymised as directed) and whether pursuant to Part 5.4 A-D of the Civil Procedure Rules or otherwise, without the permission of a Judge or Master of the Queen's Bench Division. Any application for such permission must be made on notice to the Claimant and the Court will effect service. The Court file is to be retained by the Court and marked "Anonymised".
- 7. The reporting restrictions apply as to the disclosing of any information that may lead to the subsequent identification of the Claimant. The publication of the name or

address/location of the Claimant or of any member of the Claimant's immediate family is prohibited.

- 8. The Claimant must serve a copy of this Order and of the Notice of Application upon the Defendant and otherwise comply with CPR Rule 23.9 within fourteen days of service of this Order upon them.
- 9. The Defendant may apply under CPR Rule 23.10 and CPR3.3(5) to set aside or vary this Order within fourteen days of service of it upon them.
- 10. Any non-party affected by this Order may apply on notice to all parties to have this Order set aside or varied.
- 11. The Application and the continuance of this Order shall be further considered at the first hearing in this Claim.
- 12. The hearing listed for 5 May 2021 shall be vacated.
- 13. The Claimant has permission to apply to set aside or vary this order.
- 14. An Anonymised copy of this Order shall be published on the judicial website of the High Court of Justice specifying that the Claimant shall be referred to as GLR.
- 15. Costs of the Application are reserved to the first hearing in this Claim.

SERVICE OF THE ORDER

The Court has sent sealed copies of this order to:

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