## Barclay Implementation Appeals Sub-Group – Minutes

Wednesday 26 September 2018, 10:00

Conference Room E, SAH

**Present**: Ian Storrie (chair), Ken McCormack, Ian Milton, Brian Rogan, Graeme Strachan, Moira Walker, Anouk Berthier, Reme Diaz, Deborah Pegg, Adam Scott (minuting)

## Actions

- NDR team to speak with lawyers regarding an acceptable way to provide valuation information without breaching GDPR.
- NDR team to investigate UK government system of fines for incorrect appeal submissions.

## **Minutes**

- Potential two-stage process consisting of an informal initial stage allowing more sharing of information before an appeal becomes official was discussed.
- Inclusion of 3<sup>rd</sup> party appeals was discussed.
- Improvement of information provision was discussed. It was broadly agreed that lack of information leads to an increased volume of appeals.
- Ways to decrease volume of appeals were discussed, including:
  - o Requiring a specific reason for appeal.
  - Requiring the ratepayer to produce turnover and rental value prior to appeal.
  - Outstanding requests for information preventing appeals being lodged.
- Option to remove the financial incentive for public sector appeals was discussed.
- Potential introduction of fees for lodging an appeal was discussed.
- Primary and secondary legislation were discussed:
  - Aiming to introduce primary legislation as a result of this consultation
  - Secondary legislation will be introduced later and may require a separate consultation
- Potential of introducing a limit of one appeal per property was discussed.

## **Next Meeting**

Arrangements will be made for another Appeals Sub-Group meeting to take
place in two to three weeks' time. A poll will be set up for attendees to indicate
their availability.