



**Mr Craig Pearson MNAEA MARLA  
Director, Saddlers Property Services  
Limited t/a Parkers**

**Disciplinary Tribunal Decision**

**25 May 2021**

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**Member:** Mr Craig Pearson MNAEA MARLA  
**Position:** Director  
**Company/Employer:** Saddlers Property Services Ltd t/a Parkers  
**Address:** 25-26 Market Place, Reading, RG1 2DG  
**Complainant:** Propertymark  
**Reference:** X0059801

**Date:** 25 May 2021

## A. INTRODUCTION

A Disciplinary Tribunal of Propertymark Limited was convened on 25 May 2021 using the Zoom virtual conferencing platform to consider the case against Mr Craig Pearson MNAEA MARLA.

The panel members were Mr Richard Hair PPNAEA (Honoured) (member panellist acting as the Chairperson for the Tribunal), Mr David Coleman MARLA FNAEA (member panellist) and Mr Clive Wood (lay panellist).

The presenting Case Officer for Propertymark was Ms Laura Hanley-Gorton.

Mr Pearson was in attendance at the hearing.

The hearing took place in private and was recorded.

## B. ALLEGATIONS

The Tribunal considered the allegations set out in the case summary sent to Mr Pearson.

It was alleged that Mr Pearson had acted in contravention of the requirements of the following Propertymark Conduct and Membership Rules.

### 1. Accounting Rule (in particular)

#### 1.27. Submission of report

The report referred to in this Rule must be submitted to Propertymark by the member's firm no later than six months after the end of the accounting period to which it relates. Late submission of Accountant's Reports may be pursued as a disciplinary matter. Such matters will be dealt with outside of the disciplinary procedures. In these circumstances' members may not have an opportunity to explain the reasons for their delay. Instead, late submission is likely to result in an automatic fine of up to £200 per breach of every separate requirement. Failure to provide an Accountant's Report within twenty-eight days of the deadline will result in termination of all memberships of all PPD members responsible for the firm. This timescale may be altered with prior arrangement of Propertymark.

## **21. Continuing professional development (CPD) rules**

21.1. CPD is mandatory for all ARLA, ARLA Inventories, NAEA, NAEA Commercial and NAVA members except for Affiliate, Deferred, Retired grade members.

21.2. Members are required to undertake at least twelve hours' CPD activity per year. At least four of the twelve hours must be obtained by attendance at relevant educational events and up to eight hours by relevant private study (except for those studying for Propertymark Qualifications relevant to their specialism). All CPD should be relevant to the membership specialism and/or relevant to business needs.

21.3. The CPD year runs from 1 January to 31 December and the twelve hours should be submitted by 31 January of the following year, listing the learning outcomes.

21.4. CPD must be provided annually for membership to continue.

21.5. If members belong to more than one division, they are required to submit twelve hours/CPD for each division demonstrating a relevant learning outcome.

## **C. DECISION**

Mr Pearson admitted the charges against him:

Rule 1.27	-	Admitted
Rule 21	-	Admitted

Mr Pearson submitted a plea in mitigation.

## **D. SANCTIONS**

Rules 1.27	-	£600
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Rule 21

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£400

In addition, costs were imposed of £193 against Mr Pearson in favour of Propertymark.

## E. PUBLICATION

The outcome of the hearing fell within the Propertymark publication policy.

## F. CLOSING STATEMENT

The Tribunal made the following statement:

“In our opinion the member has not given his professional responsibilities the same attention as to the running of his business. He has exposed both himself, his business and Propertymark to unnecessary risk.”