

## **2022 Annual Assurance Statement**

### *Compliance Statement*

The Board, in its capacity as the governing body of Abertay Housing Association, is satisfied that Abertay Housing Association is compliant with the requirements of Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework and the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management, save for one exception, which the Association is working to compliance on: the obligation based on the recommendation that all properties should have had a five year electrical safety inspection carried out by 31 March 2022.

### *Working to Compliance*

As a consequence of the impact and implications of the coronavirus pandemic and the difficulties encountered with regard to the ability to contract with electrical contractors, due to the unavailability of certified electricians, the Association has not met the 31 March 2022 timescale appertaining to five year electrical safety inspections in respect of 63 properties out of a housing stock of 1,847 properties. The Association has a plan in in place to achieve compliance by 31 March 2023.

### *Gaining Assurance*

The Board has gained this satisfaction from being involved in the formulation and evaluation of a comprehensive compliance framework of evidence and an action plan. The Annual Assurance Statement Evidence and Action Plan Framework is an encyclopaedia of evidence incorporating: governing body reports, minutes of governing body meetings, strategic documents, external and internal audit reports, external consultant reports, performance reports, policies, advice and good practice guidance.

### *Ongoing Monitoring*

The Annual Assurance Statement Evidence and Action Plan Framework will be constantly updated by management and monitored by the Board to ensure suitable and sufficient oversight and scrutiny and provide continuous assurance that the Association maintains compliance with Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework and Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management.

### *Equalities and Human Rights*

The Association is compliant in respect of the collection of equalities information and will continue to consider and respect equality and human rights principles whilst implementing its strategic and operational objectives.

### *Authority to sign and submit*

In my capacity as Chair of Abertay Housing Association I was authorised by the Board at the Board Meeting on Wednesday 26 October 2022 to sign the Association's Annual Assurance Statement. I can also confirm that the Annual Assurance Statement will be published on the Association's website on the day after it is submitted to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Chair's Name Ron Neave

Chair's Signature

Date 27 October 2022