

2024 Annual Assurance Statement

The Management Committee of Abronhill Housing Association confirms that it has the assurance that the Association is compliant with the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management including: -

- all relevant regulatory requirements set out in Chapter 3 of the Regulatory Framework
- all relevant standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter
- all relevant legislative duties
- the Standards of Governance and Financial Management

Our internal audit, action list from our baseline Annual Assurance last year, forms our evidence bank with updates from the following used as evidence of compliance.

- Regular Reports to the Committee on Performance, Finance, Governance and Risk
- Strategies, Policies, and Procedures.
- Internal Audit Plans increased in 2024
- External Audit Report Clean report in 2023 and 2024.
- Feedback from Tenant Engagement
- Benchmarking Reports from Scotland's Housing Network plus Performance Analysis Visit
- Reports, advice, and information from members of the staff team
- Governance Review carried out as part of Options Appraisal in June 2023 and desktop review carried out when the new interim Director joined in February 24.

Tenant Safety

The Committee is assured that it meets all duties concerning tenant and resident safety and has the appropriate assurance on our levels of compliance with all relevant safety requirements.

RAAC

The Association carried out RAAC inspections in December 2023 on 8 different property types of construction, including flat roof properties and also our own office. The surveys were carried out by a structural engineer along with a joiner and the Maintenance Officer, and no RAAC was identified in our properties or office.

Housing Stock Quality, Energy Efficiency and Transfer of Engagement

The Association has a large proportion of its stock that does not meet current housing quality standards, although we are working hard to increase compliance, however, our financial resources long term will be unable to meet the level of investment that is required within a reasonable timeframe for our tenants. We have therefore decided to seek a Transfer of Engagements to another RSL.

We are currently progressing to engage our tenants and also produce a Prospectus by the end of March 2025 to attract interest from other Social Landlords and have recently appointed a consultant via a procurement exercise to help us achieve this.

We recognise that we are required to notify the SHR of any changes in our compliance during the course of the year and have effective arrangements in place to enable us to do so.

The Management Committee approved this statement at their meeting on the 24th October 2024

Anne Marie Thomson, Chairperson on behalf of the Management Committee