

Abronhill Housing Association

2022 Annual Assurance Statement

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

- all the relevant requirements set out at chapter 3 of the Regulatory Framework
- all relevant standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter.
- all relevant legislative duties.

As part of this process, we have been self-assessing our compliance against a broad range of evidence from both internal and external independent sources. These have included: -

- Quarterly Performance Reports on our Housing and Repairs Service
- Quarterly Financial Management Reports provided by our Finance Agents
- Internal and External Audit Reports
- Feedback from Tenant Surveys
- Benchmarking Reports from Scotland's Housing Network
- Reports, advice, and information from members of the staff team
- Assurance Mapping

Equalities & Human Rights

In reviewing our compliance with the Regulatory Framework, we are assured that we have appropriate systems in place for the collection of equalities data. We are assured that we are working towards using this data to take account of equality and human rights issues in our decisions, policy-making and day-to-day service delivery.

Electrical Installation Condition Reports (EICRs)

We currently have a number of properties (50) where ECIRs have not been obtained due to tenant access issues and due to inspections having been deferred due to Covid 19 restrictions. A further 66 properties are due to be checked this current year. A plan for obtaining all outstanding certificates is in place and we are working with our contractor to ensure these are completed by the end of March 2023.

Rent Levels and Financial Viability

As an Association we are committed to keeping our rents affordable and ensuring that they meet the needs of the local community and our own tenants in particular. The cost-of-living crisis places more pressure on the levels of rent increase in the future. The recently announced rent freeze for Registered Social Landlords has prompted us to review and revise our longer-term financial plans to ensure our ongoing viability. This will form the basis of our rent consultations with tenants over the next few months.

Date of Meeting of Management Committee: -

27 October 2022 Signed by

Craig Burns
Chairperson
On behalf of the Management Committee