



Annual Assurance Statement

October 2022

On behalf of the Board of Ardenglen Housing Association I am pleased to confirm that having undertaken a comprehensive review, I confirm that Board have seen and considered robust evidence at its meeting on 27 September 2022, to give us assurance that the Association materially complies with regulatory requirements. This includes: -

- The Regulatory requirements as set out in Chapter 3 of the Scottish Housing Regulator's Framework.
- Achieve all the Standards and outcomes of the Scottish Social Housing Charter for tenants, people who are homeless and others who use our services.
- Comply with all relevant statutory, legal, and legislative requirements.
- Comply with all Scottish Housing Regulator's Standards of Governance and Financial Management for Registered Social Landlords.

We have obtained independent external support to provide us with the additional assurance and validation that we have an approach that is effective and robust. This was in the form of two separate independent audits on our governance framework and our approach to matters of tenant and resident safety both of which validate robust compliance.

In reviewing our compliance with the Regulatory Framework, Board members are assured that the Association continues to work on the collection of equalities information to take account of equalities and human rights issues in policy making and service delivery matters.

The Association will continue with its programme of independent stock condition surveys, validated by RICS qualified surveyors, which will maintain a consistent quality of systems driven property information to inform our 5 year investment plan and 30 year Life Cycle Programme to ensure our homes are kept and maintained to a high quality. This,

combined with an ongoing review of our current Business Plan to reflect the changing economic context and to consider the implications of the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill 2022 will help us understand the challenges we face and the impact on rent affordability for our tenants, stock maintenance, our stock investment programme and our day to day service delivery to inform ongoing review of our strategies for risk management and mitigation.

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

As Chair, I was authorised by the Association's Board of Management at a meeting held 25 October 2022, to sign and submit this Annual Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Elizabeth McKenzie

Chairperson Ardenglen Housing Association