

Annual Assurance Statement by the Management Committee of Govanhill Housing Association

- 1) This document is Govanhill Housing Association's 2023 Annual Assurance Statement to be submitted to the Scottish Housing Regulator (SHR) by October 2023.
- 2) The Management Committee has concluded that it has appropriate assurance that the Association complies with the regulatory requirements set out in Chapter 3 of the Regulatory Framework, with no areas of material non-compliance.
- 3) Whilst it is not possible for governing body members to have knowledge of all aspects of the Association's compliance with every regulatory requirement and standard, the Management Committee has taken reasonable and proportionate steps to conclude it has sufficient assurance to sign the Statement, on the terms outlined above.
- 4) The Management Committee has scrutinised an evidence bank of review documents comprising reports, policies, advice and information throughout the year seeking additional assurance where necessary.
- 5) For those areas requiring improvement, the Management Committee considers and approves an Annual Action Plan which is monitored regularly to ensure it is implemented effectively.
- 6) Furthermore, the Committee continues to monitor the Association's business plans, budgets and financial assumptions in the context of challenges created by the wider economic context such as fluctuating interest rates, inflationary pricing and decreased supply of resources, which may affect its tenants capacity to pay rent or the Association's requirements to meet its obligations.
- 7) In considering its compliance with legal and regulatory requirements in 2023, the Association continues to comply fully with any changes to legislation and to follow national and local policy guidance. We have appropriate systems in place to ensure tenant and resident safety and comply with all relevant safety requirements relating to Gas, Electrical, Water/Legionella, Asbestos Dampness & Mould and Lift Safety.
- 8) The Association provides an Annual Equalities Report as part of its assurance to Committee which incorporates equalities information from a wide range of business areas including protected characteristics specific to Tenants, Committee Members and Staff.
- 9) The Association not only makes its Assurance Statement available to tenants, but as part of its development, it consults with tenants on its Assurance compliance using means such as surveys or groupwork. It will also advise SHR of any material changes to the level of assurance reported in the Assurance Statement.

This Assurance Statement was approved by the Management Committee at its meeting on 25 October 2023.

Signed on behalf of the Management Committee:

Chairperson of Management Committee:

25th October 2023



