



Annual Assurance Statement October 2025

We, the Management Committee, confirm that following a period of self-assessment and consideration of the range of information provided by staff, we have sufficient evidence to conclude that we comply with our legislative and regulatory requirements and that we are satisfied that there are no areas of material non-compliance.

The comprehensive bank of evidence collated by staff to underpin our Annual Assurance Statement is detailed in a written 'Assurance Statement-Continuous Review and Improvement Plan' (ASCRIP). The ASCRIP evidence bank combines reports, policies, documents, advice, audits, and information that the Committee monitors and oversees continuously throughout the year to provide us with continuous assurance that LHA is compliant.

The Committee confirms that we have reviewed and assessed this evidence periodically and that LHA is compliant with:

- All relevant regulatory requirements as set out in Section Three of the Regulatory Framework
- The Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management
- The relevant standards and outcomes of the Scottish Social Housing Charter
- Our statutory obligations in response to tenant and resident safety, housing and homelessness, and equalities and human rights.

We are satisfied that we continue to meet all of our tenant and resident safety duties. In particular, we have obtained evidence-based assurance that we are compliant with our responsibilities in relation to gas, electrical, fire, water, and lift safety, as well as our obligations around asbestos, damp, and mould. As part of our wider approach to managing building safety, we have also completed an assessment of the potential presence of RAAC within our stock and can confirm that none has been identified. LHA remains committed to continually improving our performance against the Scottish Housing Quality Standard (SHQS) and our energy efficiency targets. This work is supported by a significant programme of planned investment, which will ensure that our homes remain safe, sustainable, and fit for the future.

As a Committee, we are assured that we have established appropriate systems 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.

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

The Management Committee is satisfied that, to the best of our knowledge, LHA is compliant with the requirements of Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework and the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management. We have gained this assurance from reviewing the comprehensive bank of evidence (ASCRIP) and our ongoing oversight and scrutiny of LHA's affairs throughout the year (2024/25).

We approved our Annual Assurance Statement at the Committee Meeting held on the 30th September 2025. I sign this statement on behalf of the Committee.

Signed (LHA Chairperson): _____ Date: _____