

## **Assurance Statement (2019)**

Loreburn H A's Management Committee has been actively involved in the development of our 2019/20 Annual Assurance Statement. A comprehensive evidence bank has been collated and reviewed to support our assurance statement and regulatory and legal compliance will be monitored on a regular and ongoing basis.

After assessing the evidence, the Management Committee are confident that we are compliant with the regulatory requirements set out at section three of the Regulatory Framework; the relevant standards and outcomes of the Charter; all relevant statutory and legal requirements; and, the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management.

In collating and reviewing the evidence and assessing compliance, we have taken account of good practice advice. The evidence which supports our Assurance Statement includes:

- Reports about performance in key areas including finance, service delivery, asset management, health & safety, development and risk;
- Internal and External Audit reports;
- Advice from external and specialist advisers (including externally facilitated selfassessment);
- Benchmarking information from HouseMark
- · Reports, advice and information from senior staff
- Role of Management Committee, Sub-Committees, Task and Finish Groups

The Management Committee and the Executive Team have adopted an improvement focus which has resulted in the creation of an Action Plan. The plan includes identified actions, which aid continuous improvement, that we've began to implement and will continue to progress during the year. The Management Committee are satisfied that the actions identified in the plan are intended to deliver effective improvement and that none are material to our current compliance with the Framework.

In reviewing compliance, we have adopted an improvement focus and have identified a few improvement actions which we will progress during the year. Our focus for 2019 will include tenant involvement and participation and we are working with engaged tenants to increase outcomes. The plan will also pick up issues around data and tenant profiling. The improvement work will enable us to understand our stock and customers more comprehensively to support effective risk management and decision making. To support effective implementation the actions an Assurance Task and Finish Group has been established for 2019/20 who will monitor progress and report to the Management Committee at agreed intervals to ensure successful achievement.

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.