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31 October 2022

Scottish Housing Regulator  
Buchanan House  
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## Annual Assurance Statement

We have fully considered the regulatory requirements set out in Chapter 3 of the Scottish Housing Regulator's Framework. We have no material non-compliance with any requirement and, having reviewed and assessed a comprehensive bank of evidence to support this Statement, consequently confirm that we:

- Achieve all of the standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter for tenants, people who are homeless and others who use our services.
- Comply with our legal obligations relating to housing and homelessness, equality and human rights, and tenant and resident safety.
- Comply with the Standards of Governance & Financial Management for RSLs.

The evidence bank combines reports, policies, advice and information which Management Committee monitors and oversees on an ongoing basis throughout the year to provide continuous assurance that we are compliant. Additionally, the evidence bank incorporates relevant documents and information that contribute to our assurance, and which form the structure of our business and governance activities.

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.

In reviewing our compliance with the Regulatory Framework, we are assured that we are working towards having appropriate systems in place for the collection of equalities data and 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 currently have 5 properties which do not have a valid EICR, all due to complex access issues. We have appointed a contractor and are actively working with the tenants and where appropriate, relevant 3<sup>rd</sup> party support agencies, to gain safe access as soon as reasonably practicable. These 5 properties are currently categorised as "in abeyance".

As Chair, I was authorised by Management Committee members at a meeting held on 31 October 2022, to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the SHR. The Assurance Statement will be published on our website on the same date that it is submitted to the SHR.

Fiona Lettice  
Chair  
31 October 2022