

Annual Assurance Statement 2020/21

In accordance with the requirements of the Scottish Housing Regulator, we the undersigned provide the following statement in respect of assurance and compliance for Pentland Housing Association.

The Board of Directors of Pentland Housing Association has carried out a comprehensive review of the Regulatory Standard of Governance and Financial Management and the requirements of Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework.

From the evidence bank reviewed to support this statement we are able to gain assurance that Pentland Housing complies with all the applicable requirements for the group in line with the SHR Regulatory Framework.

The three areas of the Regulatory Standard of Governance and Financial Management where the board recognised improvements were required during 2019/20 -

- 30 Year Projections/5YFP
- > Asset Management
- > EESSH/SHQS

In assessing the evidence base we adopted an improvement focus by means of a continuous Assurance Action Plan. The Pentland Housing Governing Members have been directly involved in the ongoing development and monitoring of the evidence and are satisfied that the actions identified are delivering an effective improvement to the business.

In considering our compliance with our legal and regulatory requirements in 2020 we have taken account of the considerable impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and consequent business, economic and social disruption. We continue to comply fully with the temporary changes to legislation and continue to follow national and local policy requirements.

We are confident that the measures in place and the contingency planning implemented will ensure we are able to continue to meet our responsibilities to our tenants, service users, regulators and funders.

We will continue to monitor our business plan, budget and financial assumptions in line with the current situation.

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.

We confirm that this Assurance Statement is being published on our website on the same date that it is submitted to the SHR.

Pentland Housing is assured, based on the evidence which we have reviewed, that there are no threats to the safety or interests of tenants and customers or to the financial viability of the RSL.

The Board of Pentland Housing Association is satisfied that to the best of our knowledge we comply with the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management and the requirements of Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework.

As Chair of Pentland Housing Association I have been instructed by the Board of Directors to submit this Assurance Statement.

Signed	Date
Jim Hair	
Chair Pentland Housing Association	