

ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT

The Management Committee confirms that Ruchazie Housing Association is compliant with the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management and the requirements of Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework.

To gain this assurance, we have reviewed and assessed a comprehensive bank of evidence. The evidence bank combines reports, policies, advice and information which the Board monitors and oversees on an ongoing basis throughout the year to provide continuous assurance that Ruchazie HA is compliant. Additionally, the evidence bank incorporates relevant documents and information that contribute to our assurance and which form the structure of RHA's business and governance activities.

In assessing the evidence, we identified areas where improvement was required and these improvements have since been actioned. We will continue to monitor the effect of these changes and progress during the course of the year. We are satisfied that all actions are intended to deliver effective improvement and that none are material to our current compliance with the Framework.

We have specifically considered the available evidence to confirm compliance with our obligations in respect of tenant and resident safety. We are assured that Ruchazie Housing Association meets its safety obligations to tenants in respect of gas, water, fire, asbestos and damp and mould. We are assured, based on the comprehensive bank of evidence which we have reviewed, that there are no threats to the safety or interests of tenants and customers. RHA can confirm that we have no properties with lifts and there is no RAAC present in any of our stock.

In reviewing our compliance with the Regulatory Framework, we are assured that we have established appropriate systems for the collection of equalities data. We are assured that we are using any data received to take account of equality and human rights issues in our decisions, policy-making and day-to-day service delivery.

We continue to monitor and manage the impact of the challenges associated with the current economic environment on our tenants and our business and maintain our assurance that the financial viability of the Association is not at risk.

We recognise that we are required to notify the Scottish Housing Regulator 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.

This statement is available on our website at www.ruchazieha.co.uk

As Chair, I was authorised by the Management Committee at a meeting held on 31st October 2024 to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Michelle Caldwell

Chairperson