



**Scottish Veterans' Residences Governing Body Annual Assurance Statement
To the Scottish Housing Regulator**

The Governing Body of Scottish Veterans' Residences (SVR) is satisfied that to the best of our knowledge, SVR is compliant with:

- The relevant regulatory requirements set out in Chapter 3 of the Regulatory Framework;
- The relevant standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter;
- The relevant legislative duties; and
- The Standards of Governance and Financial Management.

We have been vigilant regarding the assurance of health and safety issues, and in particular, the issue of damp and mould, and the use of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC), in social housing properties. We confirm:

- SVR has an effective system for reporting and treating occurrences of damp and mould and note we have no significant or persistent damp or mould in our properties.
- Following enquiries made of our retained architect and principal engineering consultant, we have not detected the use of RAAC in any of our properties.

The Governing Body therefore concludes SVR is fully compliant with all the requirements set out above. This conclusion was reached through its oversight of service delivery, review of a series of internal audit reports, and monitoring an evidence bank that included internal and external reports, organisational policies and procedures, advice and information, throughout the year 2022-23.

As Chairman, I am authorised by the Governing Body to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Jonathan Tweedie
Chairman
Scottish Veterans' Residences Governing Body
Dated: 13 October 2023