

## 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,

In our previous Statement we cited 3 exceptions to the regulatory standards:

- Standard 2.3 The Governing Body is open about what it does, publishes information about its activities and, wherever possible, agrees to requests for information about the work of the Governing Body and the RSL.
- Standard 3.3 The RSL has a robust business planning and control framework and effective systems to monitor and accurately report delivery of its plans. Risks to the delivery of financial plans are identified and managed effectively. The RSL considers sufficiently the financial implications of risks to the delivery of plans.
- **Standard 7.8** The RSL complies with regulatory guidance on tenant consultation, ballots and authorisation.

Having produced our Business Plan, and following consultation with our tenants and having sought advice from TPAS Scotland we have published a Tenant Participation Strategy, we consider that we are now fully compliant with those standards.

The Governing Body 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 2021-22.

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

G E Lowder MBE
Chairman
Scottish Veterans' Residences Governing Body
Dated: 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022