



**Housing and Technical Resources**  
Executive Director **Daniel Lowe**

## **Our Annual Assurance Statement**

South Lanarkshire Council complies with the regulatory requirements set out in Chapter 3 of the Scottish Housing Regulator's Framework. This includes that we:

- achieve all standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter for tenants, people who are homeless and others who use our services
- comply with all our legal obligations relating to housing and homelessness, equality and human rights, and tenant and resident safety with the exception of the following:-
  - Gas safety – As a result of the Covid 19 pandemic there are a number of Gas Services that are currently out of date. The Council has revised its approach to take account of tenants refusing access because they or another member of their household is self-isolating, therefore, servicing continues on a priority basis. The revised approach takes account of the COVID 19 specific guidance issued by the HSE and the Gas Safety Register. The Council will seek to resolve any outstanding safety visits as soon as is feasible during the reporting year, whilst continuing to adhere to the aforementioned guidance for safe operation of this function for employees and tenants.
  - Fire safety for Gypsy/Travelers - The Council is currently in the process of making changes to its Gypsy/Traveller sites, as required by revised fire safety regulations, however as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, these works have been delayed. Achieving compliance with fire safety guidance continues to be a key focus as planned works resume and progress towards this aim will continue to be closely monitored and reported.

On an ongoing basis, the Committee consider the information and evidence necessary to provide the required assurance.

The Annual Assurance Statement for 2020 was approved at the meeting of our Housing and Technical Resources Committee on 25 November 2020.

**Chair's signature:**

**Date:**