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Trust Housing Association - Assurance Statement 2025-26

The Board of Trust Housing Association confirms that we have reviewed and assessed a comprehensive bank of evidence to support this statement that Trust is compliant with the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management and the requirements of Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework.

In considering our compliance with our legal and regulatory requirements in 2025-26, we have continued to take into account of the cost of living and how this impacts our tenants, employees and on Trust as a business.

However, we are confident that the measures that we have put in place and our contingency planning, will ensure that we are able to continue to meet our responsibilities to our tenants, service users, regulators and funders. We continue to monitor our business plan, budget and financial assumptions in the context of the ongoing economic outlook.

We are satisfied that we continue to meet all of our duties in relation to tenant and resident safety by maintain compliance in respect of duties relating to gas, electrical, fire, water, asbestos and lift safety and our obligations in relation to damp and mould.

In addition, we are satisfied that we have comprehensive, up to date information on the construction, components and condition of our homes.

To undertake the self-assessment exercise the Board established a **Governance Working Group** made up of various Board Members, and the Executive Team to develop and assess the evidence and our compliance. The wider Board membership have also had oversight and input into the process.

Members of the Board have been actively involved in the assessment of evidence. The evidence bank contains a range of documents that form the core of the Board's ongoing scrutiny and oversight. It incorporates relevant documents, policies, strategies and information that contribute to our overall assurance and forms a comprehensive library for evidence regarding Trust's business and governance activities.

The evidence which supports this statement includes:

- Key performance reporting in areas including finance, asset management, development, tenant and resident safety, risk, customer service, quality assurance and legal/regulatory compliance
- Internal and external audits reports
- Customer Representative Group scrutiny reports
- Benchmarking data
- Reports and advice from senior team and external advisors
- Strategy documentation and policies
- Stock condition survey results

In reviewing and assessing compliance, we have adopted an improvement focus and have identified a number of non-material improvement actions which we will progress during the course of the year.

To support effective implementation, these actions form an **Improvement Action Plan** which will be monitored by the Board at agreed intervals to ensure successful achievement.

Our approach to reviewing and assessing Trust's compliance has been informed by relevant good practice advice and sector guidance to provide us with assurance that our approach is effective and robust. 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 Scottish Housing Regulator.

As Chair, I was authorised by the Board at a meeting held on **28th October 2026** to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator which confirms that the Board is satisfied that Trust Housing is compliant with the requirements of the Regulatory Framework.

Signed :

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David Knight, Chair

28th October 2026