

ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT

As agreed by Board of Viewpoint Housing Association – October 2019

Introduction

As a Registered Social Landlord (RSL), Viewpoint Housing Association (VHA) is required to submit its first annual Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator (SHR) by the 31 October 2019. This document represents the Statement that was considered and approved by the Board at its meeting on the 24 October 2019.

Review of Assurance Evidence

The Board confirms that we have reviewed and assessed a comprehensive bank of evidence to support this Statement and that **Viewpoint Housing Association is working towards full compliance** with the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management and the requirements of Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework.

The Board's review of the available evidence has resulted in the preparation of a comprehensive Governance Action Plan which is attached and addresses the areas of partial compliance within the submission. We have prioritised the identified actions and have agreed an implementation plan which will be led by the Chief Executive and we expect to have completed by 31 March 2020.

Although VHA is working towards full compliance we are assured, based on the evidence which we have reviewed, that there are no serious threats to the business or the financial viability of the RSL.

Improvement Focus

In reviewing compliance, we are working towards a culture of continuous improvement and have identified specific 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

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.

This assurance statement was approved by the Viewpoint Board at their meeting on 24th October August 2019, and is signed for and on their behalf by the Chair:

Iain Thompson, Chair