



## Annual Assurance Statement 2022

The Committee of Management for Whiteinch and Scotstoun Housing Association Ltd are pleased to confirm that following a detailed and comprehensive review process, we are satisfied that Whiteinch and Scotstoun Housing Association (WSHA) is compliant with:

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

The Committee arrived at this conclusion following a robust review of its recording framework, a comprehensive review of evidence and self-assurance factors including independent financial and non-financial audit reports and review by an independent auditor.

During the assurance review process, the Committee has identified improvements which will further enhance its current and future practices and has devised an improvement action plan which will be reviewed on a regular basis. We currently have 29 properties which do not have a valid EICR. This is a direct result of the pandemic and understandable tenant concerns about potential transmission of Covid by inspecting contractors, who require access to every room in a property to carry out these inspections. We have appointed a contractor and are working with the tenants concerned to reassure them that all necessary precautions continue to be employed. All outstanding inspections are scheduled to be completed by 31.03.2023.

We are committed to the development of an Assurance Working Group, comprising 3 Committee Members, to manage continuous compliance and our annual programme. This will ensure that we have appropriate and effective arrangements in place to notify the SHR of any changes in assurance should they arise.

We have plans to fully review the guidance on equalities and human rights and await further clarification so that we can implement an effective approach and incorporate this into our assurance processes where required.

We approved this Annual Assurance Statement at our Committee meeting on 12th October 2022 and the Committee have authorised me as Chair to sign the statement on their behalf

and to submit the Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator. We confirm this Assurance Statement is being published on our website on the same date that it is submitted to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

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**Linda Stevenson**

**Chairperson.**