

ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT 2024

The Management Committee of Yorkhill Housing Association has concluded that it is fully compliant with the Regulatory requirements as prescribed in Chapter 3 of the Scottish Housing Regulator's framework, with no areas of material non-compliance.

This includes that we:

- Achieve all of the standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter for tenants, people who are homeless and other service users;
- Comply with our legal obligations relating to housing and homelessness, equality and human rights, and tenant safety;
- Comply with the Regulatory Standards for Governance and Financial Management for Registered Social Landlords.

We confirm we have seen and considered sufficient evidence to provide us with this appropriate assurance.

Our evidence comprises a range of sources, recorded and stored in our Assurance Bank. It includes staff reports covering all business activities, external audit reports, committee meeting minutes, external guidance, policy and practice reviews, service agreements, financial plans and business planning reviews.

In particular, an independent advisor has conducted a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of our Governance arrangements, and we will soon be presented with its overall findings. Alongside very positive outcomes from our internal and external audit programmes, this further strengthens our assurance with regards to compliance with Regulatory requirements.

In reviewing our compliance with the Regulatory Framework, we are assured that we have established appropriate systems for the collection of equalities data. We are assured that we are working towards using this data to take account of equality and human rights issues in our decisions, policy-making and day-to-day service delivery.

In relation to tenant safety, we are assured that we meet all duties and obligations, and have obtained appropriate assurance about our compliance with relevant safety requirements, including gas safety; electrical safety; water safety; fire safety; asbestos; damp and mould; and lift safety. Furthermore, we confirm that we none of our housing stock contains RAAC, and so there is no requirement for a plan to manage associated risks.

The Association currently has five properties that do not have an up-to-date EICR, all of which are due to access issues.

Additionally, 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.

As Chair, I was authorised by the Yorkhill Housing Association Management Committee at a meeting held on 10 October 2024 to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

I therefore confirm this Statement of Assurance on behalf of the Association for the period 2023-24.

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Signed: _____