



Clydebank Housing Association Ltd Annual Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator

Clydebank Housing Association's Management Committee hereby submits its third Annual Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator, which has been prepared in line with Statutory Guidance, declaring that it is **compliant** with:

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

The Management Committee arrived at this conclusion following a robust review of its recording framework (in line with SFHA's "Social Landlord Self-Assurance" Toolkit and Supplemental Covid-19 Guidance), a comprehensive review of evidence and self-assurance factors including independent financial and non-financial audit reports, previous Management Committee self-assessment exercises and recommendations following a collaborative governance review.

In considering our compliance with our legal and regulatory requirements in 2021, we have taken account of the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and consequent business, economic and social disruption. We continue to comply fully with the changes to legislation and will follow national and local policy e.g. in respect of health and safety, physical distancing, travel, office opening, use of PPE, application of Test and Protect requirements and social gatherings where required.

We are confident that the measures that we have put in place and the contingency planning that we have implemented have ensured that we are able to continue to meet our ongoing responsibilities to our tenants, service users, regulators and funders.

We continue to monitor our recently updated business plan, budget and financial assumptions and associated business interruption. Our Business/Financial Plans were prepared in line with the Scottish Housing Regulator's (SHR) Business Planning guidance (December 2015) alongside their Business Planning Supplementary Advice issued in August 2020. They reflect the impact/potential ongoing impact of the pandemic in areas such as rent affordability, treasury management and interest rates, our planned investment programme and arrears recovery levels. Our financial plans demonstrate that the Association remains on a sound financial footing.

During the assurance review process, the Management 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 an ongoing basis.

We continue to be committed to our 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.

Clydebank Housing Association's Annual Assurance Statement for 2021 was agreed by its Management Committee on Friday, 29 October 2021.

Clydebank Housing Association's Management Committee has given delegated authority to Catherine Boyle, Chairperson to sign this Annual Assurance Statement on behalf of the Association for submission to the Scottish Housing Regulator by 31 October 2021.

Catherine Boyle
Chairperson
29-Oct-21