



## **Lanarkshire Housing Association Ltd Annual Assurance Statement 2021**

The Management Committee of Lanarkshire Housing Association Ltd confirm our view that we comply with the requirements of Chapter 3 of the Regulatory Framework as published by the Scottish Housing Regulator (SHR). This includes that we:

- achieve all of the standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter for tenants, people who are homeless, and others who use our services
- comply with our legal obligations relating to housing and homelessness, equality and human rights, and tenant and resident safety
- comply with the Standards of Governance and Financial Management for RSL's

The Management Committee has been involved in the development and assessment of the evidence supporting our level of compliance and this brings together the information that the Management Committee use to monitor, control and oversee the management of the business on a continuing basis throughout the year. This thorough review of this evidence has allowed us to conclude that there are no areas of material non-compliance with the Regulatory Framework. In addition, we have taken account of good practice guidance where appropriate and have obtained external support to provide us with additional assurance that our approach is effective and robust.

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

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 responsibilities to our tenants, service users, regulators and funders. Where we have adopted revised standards of service delivery, we have communicated changes clearly to tenants and are maintaining the necessary records to ensure a seamless resumption of normal service levels when possible.

We continue to monitor our business plan, budget and financial assumptions in the context of the on-going public health emergency and the associated interruption to the business. Our Business Plan reflects the regulatory guidance that was current at the time of its preparation and we will take account of updated regulatory advice as we monitor and review our Business Plan in the context of the changed situation.

We are satisfied that Lanarkshire Housing Association has effective controls and measures in place to provide the Management Committee with the information it requires to be assured of continuous compliance and to enable us to identify any changes to our compliance in order to make the necessary notifications to the SHR.

The Management Committee has approved this Assurance Statement at its meeting held on 26 October 2021 and delegated its signing to the Chairperson.

Signed By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Charles Millar  
Chairperson