

Annual Assurance Statement October 2023



This is the Annual Assurance Statement of Drumchapel Housing Co-operative Limited as agreed by the Management Board on 24 October 2023; whereby we agreed that, to the best of our knowledge, there are no areas of material non-compliance to report.

The Management Board are satisfied that we have seen and considered a sufficient appropriate and reliable evidence bank that combines reports, policies, advice and information which the Board monitors and oversees on an ongoing basis throughout the year to provide continuous assurance that Drumchapel Housing Co-operative Limited is compliant. Additionally, the evidence bank incorporates relevant documents and information that contribute to our assurance and which form the structure of the Co-operative's business and governance activities.

The Board confirms that, to the best of our knowledge and understanding, Drumchapel Housing Co-operative Limited is compliant with:

- **The relevant regulatory requirements set out in chapter 3 of the Regulatory Framework;**
- **The relevant standards and outcomes of the Scottish Social Housing Charter;**
- **All relevant statutory and legal requirements;**
- **Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management;**

and acknowledge the requirement to notify the Scottish Housing Regulator (SHR) of any changes to the Annual Assurance Statement throughout the year.

In reviewing our compliance with the Regulatory Framework, we are assured that we have appropriate systems in place 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.

We have obtained external support to provide us with additional assurance that our approach is effective and robust.

We would also like to highlight that we meet all of our duties in relation to tenant and resident safety. In particular, we have gained the necessary evidence-based assurance of our compliance in respect of duties relating to gas, electrical, fire, water and lift safety and our obligations relating to asbestos, damp and mould. We have sought specialist advice to monitor our compliance in these areas and to support our assurance.

In assessing the evidence, we have adopted an improvement focus which has resulted in the creation of an Action Plan which we have begun to implement and will continue to progress during the course of the year. We have reviewed the identified actions in the plan and are satisfied that all are intended to deliver effective improvement and that none are material to our compliance with the Framework.

The Management Board approved this Annual Assurance Statement at our Management Board Meeting on 24 October 2023 and authorised this to be signed on our behalf, to be submitted to the SHR, and to be made publicly available to our tenants and service users through our website.

Signed:

Chairperson

Date: