



Scottish Housing Regulator
Buchanan House
58 Port Dundas Road
Glasgow G4 0HF

24 October 2023

Dear SHR

Annual Assurance Statement – October 2023 – Cathcart & District Housing Association Ltd.

The Committee of Management confirms that we have reviewed and assessed a comprehensive bank of evidence to support our statement that Cathcart & District Housing Association is, to the best of our knowledge, compliant with:

- All relevant regulatory requirements as set out in Section Three of the regulatory framework
- The relevant standards and outcomes of the Scottish Social Housing Charter
- The Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management
- In relation to our statutory obligations in respect of tenant and resident safety we are compliant in all areas.

The evidence bank combines reports, policies, advice, and information which the Committee of Management monitors and oversees on an ongoing basis throughout the year to provide continuous assurance that Cathcart & District Housing Association is compliant. The evidence which supports this Statement includes:

- Reports about performance in key areas including finance, service delivery, asset management, development, and risk.
- Internal and External Audit reports
- Advice from external and specialist advisers
- Tenant outcomes from specific consultation
- Data analysis about our tenants and customers
- Benchmarking
- Reports, advice and information from senior staff

In reviewing the evidence and assessing compliance, we have undertaken a self-assessment process as detailed in the SFHA self-assurance toolkit. We have obtained external support from consultants and auditors to provide us with additional assurance and the evidence provided to the Committee of Management is effective and robust.

This includes the requirement to meet Equality and Human Rights requirements. We have undertaken training in this regard and have a further refresher training booked for November 23. This will provide further reassurance to the Committee of Management.

We continue to ensure that the Committee of Management are fully informed and in control. We already use online software for Committee of Management papers and our Committee of Management has met face to face whilst retaining the option of video link to ensure maximum attendance at meetings.

Our future financial projections have been updated to reflect the changing circumstances and continue to show a strong financial position. We are assured that Cathcart & District Housing Association has the necessary arrangements in place to identify any risks to compliance during the conduct of our business and governance arrangements and in the event that there are any changes to our compliance the SHR would be notified. The Committee of Management has been actively involved in the development and assessment of the evidence bank and monitors regulatory and legal compliance on a regular and ongoing basis.

As Chair, I was authorised by the Committee of Management at a meeting held on Tuesday 17 October 2023 to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator. We confirm that this Assurance Statement is being published on our website on the same date that it is submitted to the SHR.

Signed (Chairperson)

Date