29 October 2024

Assurance Statement 2024 by the Management Committee of Kingsridge Cleddans Housing Association.

The Management Committee have now concluded our assessment of the Association's compliance with the Regulatory Framework and the Standards of Governance and Financial Management.

Following our assessment by the Scottish Housing Regulator in March 2024, our regulatory status was non-compliant, working towards compliance. We have undertaken extensive review and improvement actions to seek to return to compliance and we have worked closely with and been supported by the Regulator in identify the key areas in which we require improvement.

In the course of the year, we have established and developed a comprehensive evidence bank, including: all documents submitted to the Management Committee in the current year, extensive policy reviews during the period, reports submitted by independent external auditors (including financial reviews), comparative benchmarking data, and reports from external consultants with regard to Health & Safety, compliance with the Standards of Governance and Financial Management and the maintenance and management of our properties. Through incorporating this evidence bank, reviewing, developing and streamlining our Board Paper format to focus on strategic matters, and through the instruction of auditors and consultants, we have concluded that to the best of our knowledge we are compliant with:

- The Regulatory Framework, particularly section 3.
- The Scottish Social Housing Charter
- The Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management
- Our statutory obligations with regard to the safety of our tenants and maintenance of our properties.
- Our legal duties with regard to homelessness, equalities and human rights.
- Our duties and responsibilities as an employer.

During the review process, we have highlighted areas of improvement with regard to the effectiveness of our governance. We have developed an assurance improvement and implementation action plan to strengthen these areas in the coming year, central to which shall be a full review of our business plan and process. We are confident that we have the skills, knowledge and capacity to address these improvement actions.

We recognise that we are required to notify the SHR of any changes in our compliance during the course of the year and we are assured that there are in place efficient mechanisms to allow us to do so.

As Chairperson of the Association, I have been authorised by the Management Committee to sign and submit this Assurance Statement on their behalf. This statement shall also be published on our website.

Signed