

The Management Committee of Reidvale Housing Association (RHA) confirms that we have reviewed and assessed a comprehensive bank of evidence and have appropriate assurance that, to the best of our knowledge, we comply with:

- all relevant regulatory requirements set out in Chapter 3 of the Regulatory Framework
- all relevant standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter
- all relevant statutory and legal requirements

With respect to the seven Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management, we have gained sufficient assurance to be confident of our overall compliance with all 7 Standards. There remain a couple of areas where we are partially compliant with detailed guidance, and we have updated our Governance Improvement Plan so as to achieve full compliance in every area.

We have again been asked by the Scottish Housing Regulator (SHR) to provide specific assurance of our compliance with relevant obligations in relation to data on homes and compliance with minimum site standards for Gypsy / Traveller sites. RHA has no Gypsy / Traveller sites for which it is responsible, so these requirements are currently not applicable to us. We have considered evidence that provides us with assurance that we have comprehensive, good quality and up-to-date information on the construction, components and condition of our homes. We have up-to-date stock and stonework condition surveys on which we rely for an assessment of component condition and repair and renewal plans. This year, the data prepared and submitted to SHR as part of our Annual Return on the Charter (ARC) was reviewed and audited by specialist provider, Scotland's Housing Network, which confirmed that our data was appropriately and accurately sourced and any required calculations properly undertaken. This included confirming compliance with the requirements of SHR's recently issued Advice Note on updating figures in the annual Stock Return.

During 2024 we conducted a comprehensive self-assessment review of our compliance with regulatory standards and requirements, co-ordinated by a specialist consultant, which resulted in a substantial enhancement to the detail of our Evidence Banks and associated evidence documents, and provided significant assurance in endorsing our 2024 Statement. Based on this work we have introduced an ongoing "preparation for submission of Annual Assurance Statements" process, which was followed both in

2025 and 2026. This exercise has identified a number of further areas for improvement, which we have incorporated into our Governance Improvement Plan. We are satisfied that none of these improvement actions are material to our declared areas of compliance. An internal audit review of the assurance statement preparation process provided us with substantial assurance of its effectiveness.

We recognise that we are required to notify the Scottish Housing Regulator (SHR) of any changes in our compliance during the course of the year. We receive a report to every Management Committee meeting on regulatory compliance and the current status of our Improvement Plan, and this enhances our assurance that we have effective arrangements in place to enable us to report any changes to SHR. As part of our Engagement Plan with SHR we provide monthly updates to them on the delivery of our Improvement Plan.

We confirm that this Assurance Statement is being published on our website on the same date that it is being submitted to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

The Management Committee considered and approved this Assurance Statement at a meeting held on 28th October 2026 and authorised the Chair to sign and submit it to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Name of signatory: Denise Dempsey

Position: Chair of Reidvale Housing Association

Signed: *Denise Dempsey*

Date: 29 October 2026