

**Annual Assurance Statement
Almond Housing Association
6 August 2020**

The Board confirms that we have reviewed and assessed a comprehensive bank of evidence to support this Statement that Almond Housing Association is compliant with:

- All relevant regulatory requirements as set out in Section Three of the Regulatory Framework
- The Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management
- The relevant standards and outcomes of the Scottish Social Housing Charter
- Our statutory obligations in respect of tenant and resident safety, housing and homelessness and equalities and human rights

The evidence bank combines reports, policies, advice and information which the Board monitors and oversees on an ongoing basis throughout the year to provide continuous assurance that Almond Housing Association is compliant. Additionally, the evidence bank incorporates relevant documents and information that contribute to our assurance and which form the structure of Almond Housing Association's business and governance activities.

In assessing the evidence, we have adopted an improvement focus which has resulted in the creation of key actions which we have begun to implement and which we will continue to progress during the course of the year. We are satisfied that these actions are intended to deliver effective improvement and that none are material to our current compliance with the Framework. We recognise that we are required to notify the SHR of any changes in our compliance during the course of the year and are assured that we have effective arrangements in place to enable us to do so.

As Chair, I was authorised by the Board at a meeting held on 6 August 2020 to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator. I confirm that this Assurance Statement is being published on our website on the same date that it is submitted to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Name: Martin Joyce

Signed:

Date: 6 August 2020