

Assurance Statement 2020

Hawthorn Housing Co-operative has appropriate assurance that we:

- Comply with the regulatory requirements as set out in Chapter 3 of the Regulatory framework published on the 28th of February 2019
- Comply with the standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter for tenants, people who are homeless and others who use our services
- Comply with relevant legislative duties
- Have taken appropriate account of the regulatory advice provided by the Scottish Housing Regulator and other regulatory bodies
- Comply with the Scottish Housing Regulator's Standards of Governance and Financial Management.

The Co-operative set up a working group to consider the evidence available to demonstrate our compliance with the above. The evidence is summarised by an assurance dashboard which is underlaid by a bank of evidence. This has assured the management committee that the level of compliance we are reporting is accurate.

The dashboard shows that we have assessed that we have no areas of material non-compliance [and these have decreased since last year] and that we now comply in two of the seven Regulatory Standards. We also recognise that there will always be areas where self-reflection identifies areas for further enhancement. We are therefore producing a plan of actions we will complete by the 31st of October 2021. This includes the improvements that we had planned to make this year, but did not achieve [primarily due to the impact of Covid 19]. The Management Committee will monitor progress against this plan each month.

This Assurance Statement was approved by the Co-operative's management committee at its meeting on 19th of October 2020. I confirm that that as Chairperson I am authorised to sign the statement on behalf of Hawthorn Housing Co-operative's management committee. It is also signed by or Director who is delegated with leading the day to day operational activities of the Co-operative and ensuring we are provided with appropriate advice and guidance to fulfil our role as committee members.

Signed by:



Helen Graham, Chairperson



Colin Turnbull, Director