



The Board confirms that the evidence bank combines reports, policies, advice and information which our Board monitors and oversees on an ongoing basis throughout the year to provide continuous assurance to support the Annual Assurance Statement. Additionally, the evidence bank incorporates relevant documents and information that contributes to our assurance.

A recent internal audit was carried out on the evidence bank for the Annual Assurance and the report was very encouraging, showing only a few minor improvements while emphasizing that our approach is effective and robust.

We are satisfied that we meet all of our duties in relation to tenant and resident safety. In particular, we have gained the necessary evidence-based assurance of our compliance in respect of our duties to gas, electrical, fire, water and lift safety and our obligations relation to asbestos, dampness and mould. Our recent Tenant Safety internal audit showed effective and robust processes are in place.

In accessing the evidence, we have adopted an improvement focus which has resulted in the creation of an Action Plan which will be monitored by the Board at quarterly intervals to ensure successful achievement.

In reviewing our compliance with the Regulatory Framework, we are assured that we have established appropriate systems for the collection of equalities data and are working towards using this data to take account of equality and human rights issues in our decisions, policy-making and day-to-day service delivery.

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. Indeed, we undertook such activity in regards to a health and safety incident at a new housing development we are developing which has now resumed following consent from the Health and Safety Executive to our developers to proceed.

The Board of Ore Valley Housing Association (OVHA) is satisfied that, to the best of our knowledge, OVHA is compliant with the requirements of Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework and the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management. We have gained this assurance from a review of a comprehensive bank of evidence and from our ongoing oversight and scrutiny of OVHA's affairs throughout the year of 2022/23.

As Chair, I was authorised by the Board via email to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator. This Assurance Statement is being published on our website on the same date that it is submitted to the SHR.

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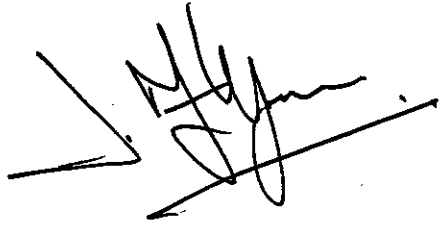
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Signed on behalf of the Board of Ore Valley Housing Association Ltd.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Flynn', written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

John Flynn

Chair

Ore Valley Housing Association Ltd

31st October 2023