### **WELCOME AND MEETING PROTCOL**







### CONSULTATION AGENDA THURSDAY 16/01/25

### Annual Tenant Conference Agenda

- 18.00 Welcome and Meeting Protocol, Elaine Travers, Chief Executive
- 18.05 Influencing Strategy and Priorities, Elaine Travers, Chief Executive
- 18.15 Community Engagement Event Action Plan, Jen Barrow,
- Services Director

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- 18.40 Influencing Rents and Shaping Services, Jen Barrow,
- 19.00 Questions and Feedback
- 19.35 Raffle
- 19.45 Meeting Close

## Your Views Shape Your Services

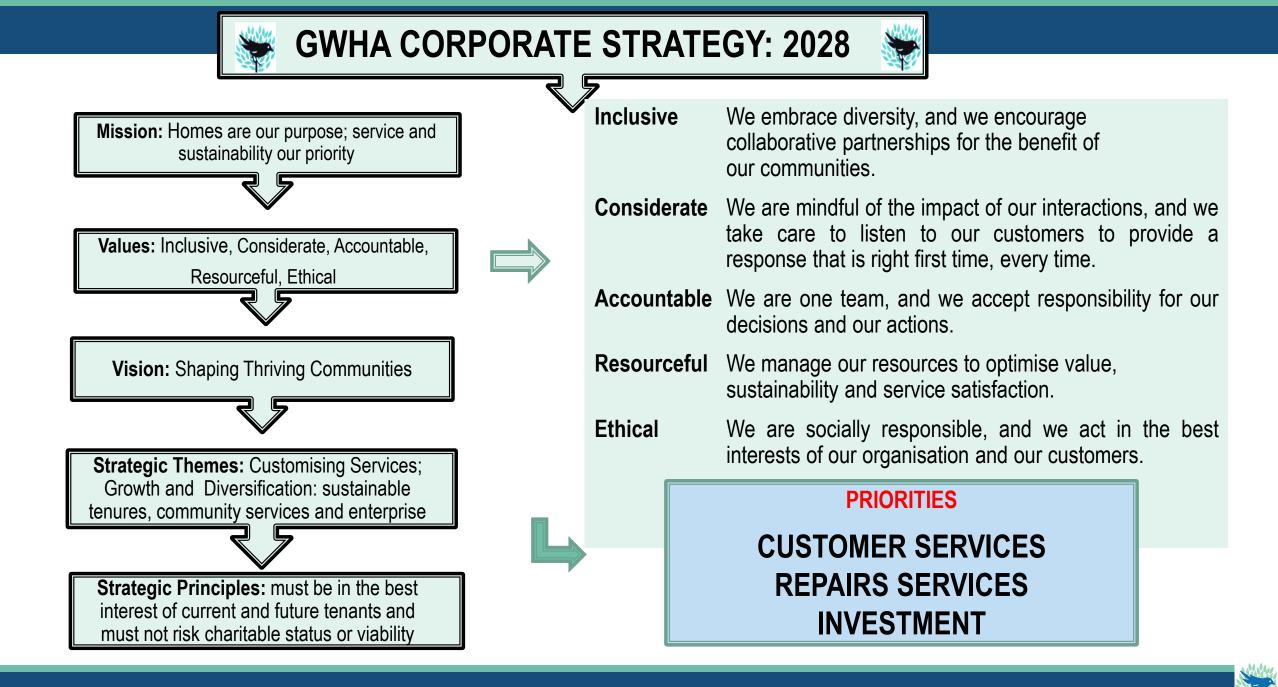


### **INFLUENCING STRATEGY AND PRIORITIES**













### Dover Street

### 55 units / 1 commercial



### Burnbank Gardens





24 units

### Corunna Street



### 640 Argyle Street



Refurb: 9 units Target: 2025



#### **Glasgow West Housing Association Ltd**

#### **Regulatory Status**

Compliant

The RSL meets regulatory requirements, including the Standards of Governance and Financial Management.

We don't currently require any further assurance from Glasgow West Housing Association Ltd (Glasgow West) other than the annual regulatory returns required from all RSLs.

#### **Regulatory returns**

Glasgow West must provide us with the following annual regulatory returns and alert us to notifiable events as appropriate:

- · Annual Assurance Statement;
- · audited financial statements and external auditor's management letter;
- · loan portfolio return;
- five year financial projections; and
- Annual Return on the Charter.

It should also notify us of any material changes to its Annual Assurance Statement, and any tenant and resident safety matter which has been reported to or is being investigated by the Health and Safety Executive or reports from regulatory or statutory authorities or insurance providers, relating to safety concerns.

#### Our lead officer for Glasgow West Housing Association Ltd is:

Name:Craig Heron, Regulation ManagerTelephone:0141 242 5421Email:craig.heron@shr.gov.scot



#### ASSURANCE STATEMENT 2024:

#### Non-Compliant: Working Towards Compliance

GWHA's Management Committee has the necessary levels of assurance to report full compliance with The Standards of Governance and Financial Management, the relevant standards of the Scottish Social Housing Charter, and the Constitutional Requirements for RSLs; and partial compliance with chapter 3 of the regulatory framework and specific regulatory assurance requirements:

Working Towards Compliance	Context	Action Plan 2024/25
	Recent expiry (Q1/2 2024/25) of 23/1489 EICR <sup>1</sup> 5-year certificates (1.5% of stock) due to procedural oversight. Notifiable Event Ref 31086 (03/10/24)	

Our assessment of compliance is corroborated by a robust strategic management and governance framework including routine environmental scanning and risk review, performance benchmarking, and compliance selfassessment against legislation, regulatory requirements and best practice. Independent specialist advisors support complex decision-making, and systems and external audit provide additional scrutiny and validation. The independent monitoring of service satisfaction, and reports from our consultation and engagement measures are reflected in our decision-making; and feedback and learning from complaints support our culture of continuous improvement. Our Corporate Strategy to 2028 is influenced by the feedback from our *Future Services Survey* (2022) ensuring tenants' service needs, priorities and aspirations underpin our strategic objectives; and our immediate priority remains on recovering our previously strong performance in customer services (tenant satisfaction), repairs and investment.

Our Equalities and Human Rights Strategy was reviewed in 2021/22, and our self-assessment of compliance with sector aligned human rights guidance is ongoing towards embedding best practice. Mindful of GDPR requirements, we refined the extent of our equalities data collection to four protected characteristics (age, sex, race and disability), and we are assured that our Equalities Impact Assessments, incorporating all protected characteristics, ensure - 2 -

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L I M I T E D HOMES ARE OUR PURPOSE SERVICE AND SUSTAINABILITY OUR PRORITY compliant policies and procedures. We are aware that this is a developing area, and our approach is kept under review to reflect emerging advice.

Specifically in relation to Tenant and Resident Safety, in the period since our 2023 assurance statement we have met two significant milestones: the findings of our RAAC<sup>2</sup> verification process confirms our stock is not affected; and the St Vincent Terrace project completed with significantly increased building and fire safety measures, with the commissioned independent report indicating that previously identified risks "have all been addressed as far as reasonably practicable". There remain some residual works across our properties to optimise compliance with the Fire (Safety) Scotland Regulations (fire and smoke alarms) and achieving the enhanced Tolerable Standard requirements for evidencing electrical safety, including forced access where all other measures have been unsuccessful. On other safety matters we are satisfied that systems, controls and proportionate action plans are in place to enhance our existing compliance baseline: gas; water, asbestos, dampness and mould; passenger lifts and roof anchor/fall arrest systems. We remain vigilant to wider public health issues, with proactive stakeholder engagement to ensure effective strategies for managing waste and vermin across our area of operation.

In this volatile operating environment, and with an evolving regulatory landscape, there remain challenges and risks for our business and for our operations. We are closely monitoring our Plans to ensure they remain appropriate and proportionate in context to our service delivery and regulatory commitments; with ongoing emphasis on delivering affordable rents and on fostering strong partnerships to support our communities. We are encouraged by the completion of our Dover Street New Build project, delivering 55 new homes for social rent and a commercial unit within our area; and likewise with the progress of our other pipeline investment projects. We are satisfied that the actions within our compliance plans are appropriate and proportionate; we are aware of the requirement to notify the SHR of material changes in our compliance during the year; and we are assured that the appropriate arrangements are in place should this be necessary.

Issi Gracie (Chairperson) On behalf of GWHA's Management Committee 22 October 2024 (ref. MC Meeting 08/10/24)

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<sup>1</sup> Electrical Installation Certificate Reports



<sup>2</sup> Reinforced Autoclave Aerated Concrete

 Ongoing economic uncertainty (materials/labour/fuel)

- Conflict in Ukraine and in the Middle East
- Housing crisis- National Housing Emergency declared
- Housing (Scotland) Bill ask and act (homelessness)
- Welfare Reform/Fiscal austerity (Winter fuel payment)
- Rent Controls
- Inflation/Interest rates
- Borrowing/Bonds Cost/Conditions
- Pension Gap/deficits
- Changing Demographics
- Digital by Default cyber attacks
- Diminishing LA Services
- Increasing Regulation Charities (Scotland) Act 2023
- Sector Skills Profile
- PRS Growth (& SG housing supply vehicle)
- Smith Commission / SG devolved powers / Indy Ref 2
- Public Bodies: FOI
- Government Agenda Employer NI
- Climate Change/Net Zero targets/EESSH consultation
- Employment Rights Bill
- Grenfell Enquiry Phase 2

Tenure v Stock Profile

- Teams (changing roles/turnover)
- Core –v- support/sustainment
- Priorities/Needs and Aspirations
- Increasing Housing Demand
- Debt Management (Arrears/RRs)
- Rent affordability
- SSHC/Service Satisfaction levels
- SHQS/EESSH stock constraints
- O/O investment challenges
- Dev Opps/MMR v Risk
- Commercial Risk/GW Property Portfolio Review
- Competing Demands
- Service, Performance and Governance
- Staff retention / satisfaction / office facilities

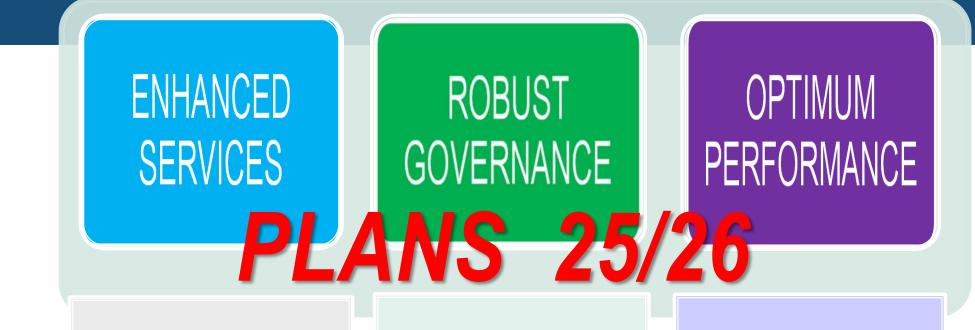


Environmental Scanning
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KEY Trends
SWOT
TOWS: Potential

Strategies

2028 Vision



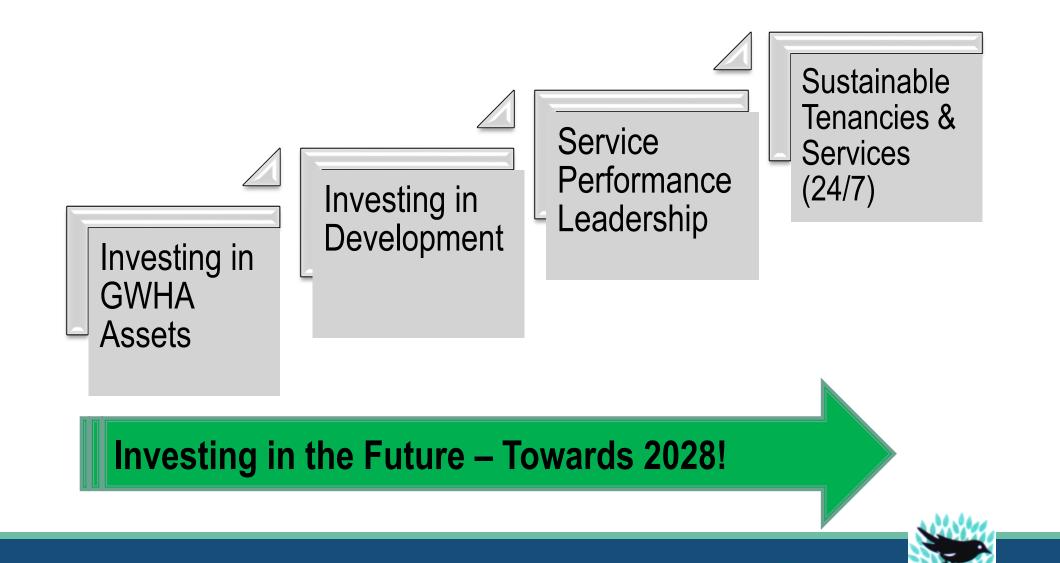


## **CUSTOMER SERVICES**

# **REPAIRS SERVICES**

**INVESTMENT PROGRAMME** 





# **FEEDBACK**



# Your Views Shape Your Services



# RAFFLE







AGM Monday Xx/ 06 / 2025

### **Conclusion, Thanks and Close**



