**ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT**

The Management Committee confirms that we have prepared, reviewed and assessed the comprehensive bank of evidence to support this statement that Ruchazie Housing Association is compliant with the Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management and the requirements of Chapter Three of the Regulatory Framework.

* All relevant requirements as set out in Chapter 3 of the Regulatory Framework
* The Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management
* The relevant standards and outcomes in the Scottish Social Housing Charter
* All relevant statutory obligations and duties

We are assured, based on the comprehensive bank of evidence which we have reviewed, that there are no threats to the safety or interests of tenants and customers or to the financial viability of the Association.

We have obtained external support and validation which provides the Management Committee additional assurance that our approach is effective and robust.

During the reporting year we have identified a number of improvement actions which we have started to implement and will progress during the course of the year. To support effective implementation, these actions form an Action Plan which will be monitored by the Committee at agreed intervals to ensure successful achievement.

**EQUALITIES**

In reviewing our compliance with the Regulatory Framework, we are assured that we are working towards having appropriate systems in place for the collection of equalities data. We are assured that we 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 Scottish Housing Regulator 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.

This statement is available on our website at [www.ruchazieha.co.uk](http://www.ruchazieha.co.uk)

As Chair, I was authorised by the Management Committee at a meeting held on 27th October 2022 to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Michelle Caldwell

Chairperson