

## Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

### 33<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2022 (Session 6)

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## Scottish Housing Regulator Annual Report 2021-22

### Introduction

1. The purpose of this paper is to provide information for the Committee's evidence session with the Scottish Housing Regulator (SHR) on its Annual Report for 2021-22.
2. The Committee will take evidence on the Annual Report from—
  - George Walker, Chair, Scottish Housing Regulator
  - Michael Cameron, Chief Executive, Scottish Housing Regulator
3. The Annual Report and Financial Statement for 2021-22 can be accessed via the following link—

[SHR Annual Report and Accounts 2021-22](#)

### Background

4. The SHR is an independent Non-Ministerial Department, established on 1 April 2011 under the Housing (Scotland) Act 2010.
5. Its statutory objective is to safeguard and promote the interests of—
  - around 600,000 tenants who live in homes provided by social landlords
  - over 120,000 owners who received services from social landlords
  - around 40,000 people and their families who experience homelessness and seek help from local authorities;
  - around 2,000 Gypsy/Travellers who can use official sites provided by social landlords.
6. The main functions of the SHR are to—
  - keep a publicly available register of social landlords;
  - monitor, assess and regularly report on all social landlords' performance of housing activities and on registered social landlords' financial well-being and standards of governance;
  - take action, where necessary, to protect the interests of tenants and other service users.
7. The SHR regulates 158 registered social landlords (RSLs) and the housing activities of Scotland's 32 local authorities. The Act requires that the SHR carries out its functions in a proportionate, accountable and transparent

way. The SHR is led by a Board of non-executive members, appointed by Scottish Ministers following an open public appointments process.

8. The Committee took evidence from the SHR on its annual report at its meeting in March. The Official Report of that session can be accessed via the following link—

- [Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee, Official Report, 22 March 2022.](#)

### **Conclusion**

9. The Committee is invited to consider the above in its evidence session with the SHR.

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