

Regulator ends statutory intervention at Dalmuir Park Housing Association (DPHA)

In December 2017, the Scottish Housing Regulator (SHR) placed the Association in high engagement due to serious misconduct, mismanagement and non-compliance with Regulatory Standards within the Association. They appointed a Statutory Manager and seven appointees onto the Management Committee to support the elected Committee and staff team to drive the required change and improvement.

Now after just 16 months since their initial intervention, SHR have reviewed progress and decided to end their statutory intervention on 31 March 2019.

This follows DPHA's recent decision, taken after a long and detailed review of options, that they will stay an independent local housing association for the period ahead. The Management Committee made this decision after listening to the views of its tenants. It also reflected on the positive transformation of DPHA over just 16 months. This has seen a complete overhaul in governance, much improved performance and financial health, reduced management costs to keep rent increases affordable and investment being delivered in their stock.

Gordon Laurie, Chair at DPHA said "We welcome the confidence SHR has shown in DPHA to end their statutory intervention. We will continue to work closely with SHR to update them on progress with our wide ranging plans to keep improvements going. Our initial focus will be on further strengthening our Committee and getting the right leadership and staff structure in place to deliver our ambitious plans so that we play a lead role in making Dalmuir a great place to live."

The five remaining statutory appointees on the Management Committee have committed to stay on the governing body on a voluntary basis with the other elected members to help bed in the changes.

Craig Edward, Vice Chair and local resident said, "Thinking back to when DPHA went into high engagement, the transformation to DPHA today is incredible. All of the Committee and staff team have worked really hard to achieve this. We pass our sincere thanks to the team at the SHR and to our Statutory Manager and appointees for all their help and support over this period to help us achieve what we have and to set us on a strong course for the future to best serve our tenants and service users."

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Notes to Editors

Dalmuir Park Housing Association is a social landlord, registered with and regulated by the Scottish Housing Regulator. We currently own and manage 685 homes and provides factoring services to 174 owners in the Clydebank area of West Dunbartonshire. We operate care and support services in the area registered with the Care Inspectorate. It has charitable status and employs 28 people.

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