

DECISION

Committee:

**Board of Management of Sanctuary
Scotland Housing Association Limited**



Date:

14/09/2021

Agenda Item:

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Report from:

Director - Sanctuary Scotland

Title: Appointment of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

Executive Summary: To appoint the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for the coming year.

1. Introduction

1.1 The purpose of this report is to allow the Board of Management the opportunity to appoint the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for the coming year, in accordance with the Rules of Sanctuary Scotland Housing Association Limited (Sanctuary Scotland Housing Association).

2. Background

2.1 The appointment of the Chairperson is specifically covered under Sanctuary Scotland Housing Association's Rules 59.5 and 59.6 which provides for a Chairperson to be elected from the Board Members on an annual basis. Rule 59.10 provides that the Chairperson must not normally hold office continuously for more than five years.

3. Appointment of Chairperson

3.1 Alan West was appointed as Chairperson of the Board of Management on 15 September 2020 for a second year.

4. Appointment of Vice Chairperson

- 4.1 Alexander Clark and j' were re-appointed as Vice Chairpersons on 15 September 2020 for a fifth year. Members will recall that the appointment of two Vice Chairpersons was considered particularly helpful following the transfer of engagements in 2016 to reflect the wider geographical spread of Sanctuary Scotland Housing Association.
- 4.2 The Rules of Sanctuary Scotland Housing Association do not require more than one Vice Chairperson but the Board may continue to appoint two if it is the preference to do so.

5. Appraisal

5.1 Risk management

- 5.1.1 RM 4 Governance; having a strong and effective Chairperson, with appropriate support, is a fundamental element of the good governance of Sanctuary Scotland Housing Association. This contributes to the mitigation of the risk associated with poor governance.

5.2 Value for Money

- 5.2.1 The election of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson has no impact on value for money considerations.

5.3 Corporate Strategy

- 5.3.1 Ensuring appointment of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson enables Sanctuary Group to deliver against all four strategic priorities (Engage, Invest, Advance and Grow).

5.4 Customer and/or Employee considerations

- 5.4.1 There are no direct customer considerations arising from this report. Tenants are eligible to seek election to the Board of Management.

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 The Board of Management is asked to appoint:
- A Chairperson for a twelve-month term; and
 - A Vice Chairperson/s for a twelve-month term.