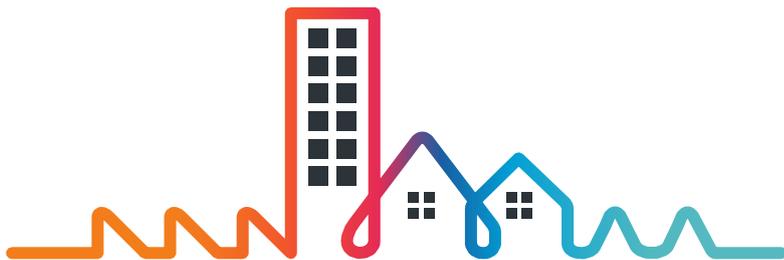


ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24



Whiteinch & Scotstoun
Housing Association



WS Property Management Ltd



WS Estate Services Ltd

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CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME

Welcome to our Annual Report for 2024.

Looking back on what has been another challenging and very busy 12 months, I am extremely proud of all the hard work that our Staff Team and my fellow Committee Members have been part of to lay the solid foundations for WSHA moving forward.

I was delighted to see the good progress we made in improving our engagement with our tenants. This included launching our new Customer Advisory Panel who met 3 times from January to March in 2024. We will continue to build on this and pursue more opportunities for tenants to engage with the Association and ensure their voice is heard in shaping our services.

Our commitment to preserving access to community facilities was reinforced as we reached agreement with the Whiteinch Community Association (WCA) to transfer the ownership of the Whiteinch Centre to WSHA. I would like to personally thank WCA for their co-operation throughout the process and for their dedication and hard work in keeping the Whiteinch Centre viable across the last 17 years.

Our Housing and Communities Team delivered another event filled calendar with the launch of our Community Projects Fund which distributed £14,000.00 worth of funding to initiatives committed to delivering projects within our communities. The WSHA Christmas event was attended by over 1,000 people and continues to bring the community together in celebration.

Our Property Services Team ensured that our investment in our homes was maintained in 2023-24 with over £2 million in planned investment programmes and a further £1.7m spent on cyclical, reactive and void maintenance. Our priority is to provide good quality services to help create good quality homes for our tenants and this will never change.

I am excited by the work our staff have done in 2024 to develop our new Business Plan (2025-2030) which will be launched in 2025.

“Our priority is to provide good quality services to help create good quality homes for our tenants and this will never change.”

We said a fond farewell to some of our longest serving members of the WSHA Management Committee in 2024. I would like to thank Jan Carmichael, Claudia Ennemoser and Rod Hunter for their dedication, loyalty, friendship and unwavering commitment to our tenants and the Association.

As the Chairperson I am fortunate to work with a great team of Committee Members who are fully committed to making Whiteinch and Scotstoun a great place to live. Their commitment to ensure that WSHA is compliant with regulatory standards and legislation, by dedicating their own time on a voluntary basis, is significant. Our Staff Team are also a major part of what makes us a great Association and I would like to thank them all for their hard work across the year.

Finally, I would like to thank you - our tenants - for your continued support, and I hope that we can continue to deliver and develop as an Association to deliver great homes, great services and a great community to live in.

Best Wishes

Linda Stevenson

Chairperson



Whiteinch & Scotstoun
Housing Association

ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT 2024

The Management Committee for Whiteinch and Scotstoun Housing Association Ltd are pleased to confirm that following a detailed and comprehensive review process, we are satisfied that Whiteinch and Scotstoun Housing Association (WSHA) is compliant with:

- All relevant regulatory requirements as set out in Section Three of the Regulatory Framework
- The Regulatory Standards of Governance and Financial Management
- The relevant standards and outcomes of the Scottish Social Housing Charter
- Our statutory obligations in respect of tenant and resident safety, housing and homelessness and equalities and human rights

The evidence which supports this Statement includes:

- Reports about performance in key areas including finance, service delivery, asset management, tenant and resident safety and risk
- Internal and External Audit reports
- Advice from external and specialist advisers

- Tenant Scrutiny reports and the outcomes from specific consultation
- Data analysis about our tenants and customers
- Benchmarking
- Reports, advice and information from senior staff

In reviewing compliance, we have adopted an improvement focus and have also identified a number of improvement actions which we will progress during the course of the year. To support effective implementation, these actions form an Improvement Action Plan which will be monitored by the Board at agreed intervals to ensure successful achievement.

We recognise that we are required to notify the SHR 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.

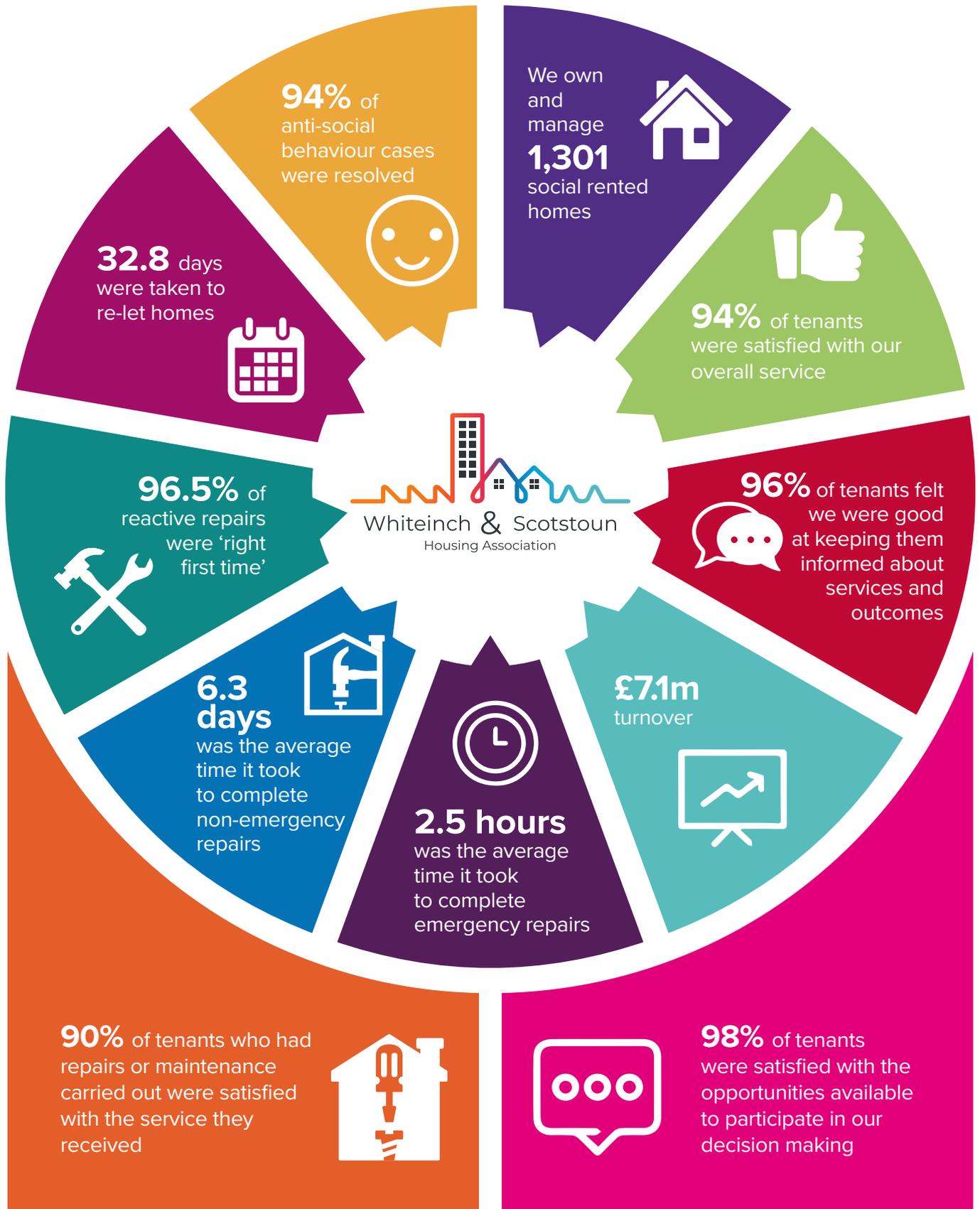
As Chair, I was authorised by the Management Committee at a meeting held on 30th October 2024 to sign and submit this Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Linda Stevenson

Chairperson

KEY INDICATORS

Highlights from another successful year



HOUSING & COMMUNITIES

The Housing & Communities Team deliver all aspects of housing management, welfare rights and community services; providing a comprehensive service to help support and sustain tenancies and build communities. The Team is also responsible for ensuring rent is paid. This is essential as rent income funds the majority of WSHA's services.





Sue Shone
*Director of Housing
and Communities*

The Housing and Communities Team focuses on income (rent) management, anti-social behaviour, estate management and letting our houses, alongside supporting tenants in broader ways such as through grant support to help manage rising energy costs, community partnerships and help with welfare benefits.

Throughout this year we have continued to maximise the income we receive through rents, responded to complaints of anti-social behaviour, supported Glasgow City Council in providing secure tenancies to homeless people and asked our tenants what they thought of our service.

We have 1301 residential properties and a small proportion of these are leased to other organisations who support people such as young people leaving residential care. The vast majority are occupied by secure tenants.



32.8 days

It took an average of 32.8 days to re-let our properties when they became void. This includes time when the property was undergoing improvements and essential works.

Key Indicators:



85 tenancies

Last year we let 85 tenancies, 42 of these went to homeless or vulnerably housed people.



94%

of our tenants are satisfied with the overall services they received.



98%

of our tenants are satisfied with the opportunities to participate in our decisions.



£30,000 grant money

£30,000 secured of external grant money to fund delivery of additional support projects.



94% resolution

94% of the new anti-social behaviour cases were resolved in line with our policy.



5.11% rent arrears



3 evictions



8% re-let

8% of our stock became empty and was re-let to new tenants.



0.62%

We did not collect 0.62% of rent due because homes were empty.



93% Value for Money

93% of tenants felt that their rent represented Value for Money.

COMMUNITIES



Community Partnerships

During 2024 we continued to work with 5 Community Partners, all of whom have delivered a wide variety of services to benefit your local communities.

Heart of Scotstoun

Glasgow Eco Trust

St Paul's Primary School

The Whiteinch Centre

WorkingRite

Customer Advisory Panel

In the last quarter of 2023/24, the new Customer Advisory Panel met three times and agreed the terms of reference for the group, the priority areas they would like to be involved in for the year ahead and approved the first policy they had been asked to review (Housing Management Policy), before it went to Committee.

Key Indicators:

 **20+ Tenant Members**

 **3 Meetings**

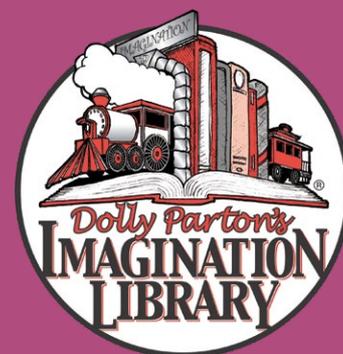
Supporting Our Tenants

In 2023/24 we successfully obtained **£30,000** of funding from the Scottish Government Fuel Poverty Support Fund that was used to provide:

- Tenants with top up vouchers for pre-payment gas and electric meters
- Assistance to 12 tenants in fuel arrears who had their meters capped

The **WSHA Bursary Fund** – funding for tenants and members of tenants' households who have gone on to further education – helped 2 people in 2024.

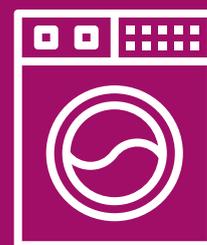
Through the **Dolly Parton Imagination Library**, we provided free books to 40 children between 0-5 years old to encourage parents to read with their children and children to learn to read.



We have sourced **white goods or carpets** for

37

tenants who needed help.



PROPERTY SERVICES

The Property Services Team manages all aspects of repairs, maintenance and major investment works.





Robert Clegg
Director of
Property Services

The Property Services Team – led by the Director of Property Services – oversee our approach to Asset Management. This includes the scheduling and management of our major investment, planned, cyclical and medical adaptations programmes. Included within these areas are key programmes such as kitchen, bathroom, boiler and window replacements along with essential investment within electrical re-wiring, roof renewals and stonework repairs. Additionally, our reactive and void repairs are co-ordinated by the Property Services Team, along with an extensive tenant health and safety compliance programme.

All social landlords are expected to meet the Scottish Housing Quality Standard (SHQS). This sets the standards that all landlords are expected to achieve in the safety and quality of their housing stock.



86%

of our homes met the Scottish Housing Quality Standard

In addition to the SHQS, all social landlords must report on the Energy Efficiency Standard for Social Housing (ESSH)



99.96%

of our housing stock met the ESSH standard

Key Indicators:



85 new kitchens



28 new bathrooms



22 new boilers



9

properties with new windows



100% CP12 compliance

compliance with CP12 gas safety checks



100% EICR compliance

compliance with EICR electrical safety certificates



£102,302 grant funding



24 stage 3 adaptations



4169 reactive repairs



99

void properties turned around

Circa

£2m

planned / capital investment within our stock



Key Indicators (continued):

In terms of our repairs service, in 2023/24

 **4169 reactive repairs**

 **3.21**
average no. of repairs per property

 **1188 emergency repairs**

 **2981 non-emergency repairs**

 **2549**
of responsive repairs were completed right first time

 **96.5%**
reactive repairs completed 'right first time'

 **90% satisfied**
90% of tenants who said they had repairs or maintenance carried out in the last twelve months were satisfied with the service they received

£1.7m
spent on Reactive, Void and Cyclical Repairs



Response Times - Emergency Repairs:

 **97.75%**
Emergency Out of Hours Repairs completed within target timescale

 **93.52%**
Emergency Office Hours Repairs completed within target timescale

 **94.43%**
Overall performance, within timescales, for Emergency Repairs

 **2.5 hours**
was the average time we took to complete emergency repairs

Response Times - Non-Emergency Repairs:

 **96.63% Urgent Repairs**
completed within target timescale

 **92.98% Routine Repairs**
completed within target timescale

 **94.43%**
Overall performance, within target timescale, for Non-Emergency Repairs

 **6.3 days**
was the average time taken to complete non-emergency repairs

SUBSIDIARIES



WS Estate Services Ltd

WS Estate Services Ltd (WSES) is a subsidiary of Whiteinch and Scotstoun Housing Association, delivering high quality estate management services to tenants and owner occupiers living in the Association's area of operation.



WS Property Management Ltd

WS Property Management Ltd (WSPM) is a subsidiary company of Whiteinch & Scotstoun Housing Association Ltd, delivering factoring services on behalf of the Association.





WS Estate Services Ltd

WS Estate Services Ltd (WSES) works solely for WSHA and its subsidiaries, delivering high quality services to tenants, owner occupiers and the wider community of Whiteinch and Scotstoun. The development of WSES into a sustainable and profit-making business is a key strategic objective which feeds into our commitment to fulfill our social purpose to the communities that we serve.

The WS Estate Services team are led by Steven McLaughlin (Operations Manager).



Key Indicators:



18 Staff



10 services provided



£92,661

in Gift Aid re-invested in
Community Activities



53

Communal Closes Re-decorated



93%

of our tenants are satisfied with our
management of their neighbourhood



£817,594

Turnover 2023/24

Services Delivered:

Close Cleaning

Back Court Maintenance

Ground Maintenance

Hard Landscaping

Bulk Uplift Service

Void Clearance

Void Cleaning

Void Painting

Caretaking Service

Communal Close Re-decoration



WSPM deliver factoring services to over 600 residential and commercial properties within the Association's area of operation.

During the year, WSPM consulted with proprietors on a number of major works including stonework repairs and roof repairs. WSPM consulted on the external redecoration of 40 closes and the internal redecoration of a further 22 closes.

39 property sales were processed during 2023/24 and following an approach made by proprietors, WSPM added a further close to its properties in management in September 2023.



Key Indicators:

-  **2 Staff**
-  **39 Property Sales**
-  **62**
closes consulted on redecoration works
-  **£437,825**
Turnover 2023/24
-  **£10,000**
in Gift Aid re-invested in Community Activities
-  **600+**
properties serviced by WSPM



CORPORATE SERVICES

The Corporate Services Department deals with HR, Corporate Governance and Assurance for WSHA and its subsidiary companies.





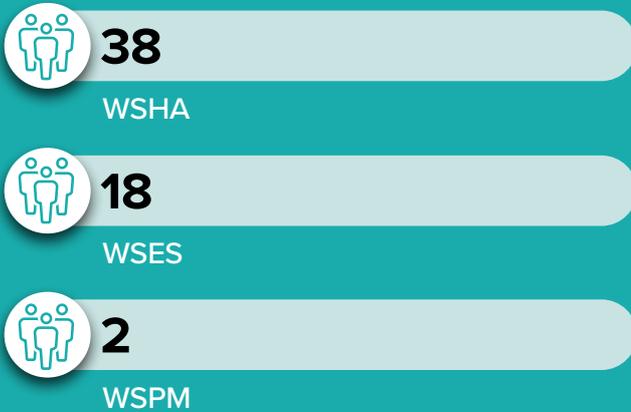
Peter Latham
*Director of
Corporate Services*

Staff

Whiteinch and Scotstoun Housing Association has a total of 38 members of staff and 20 people are also employed between our subsidiary companies, WS Estates Services Ltd and WS Property Management Ltd.

Key Indicators:

Staff Numbers (58.48 Total FTE as at end of March 2024):



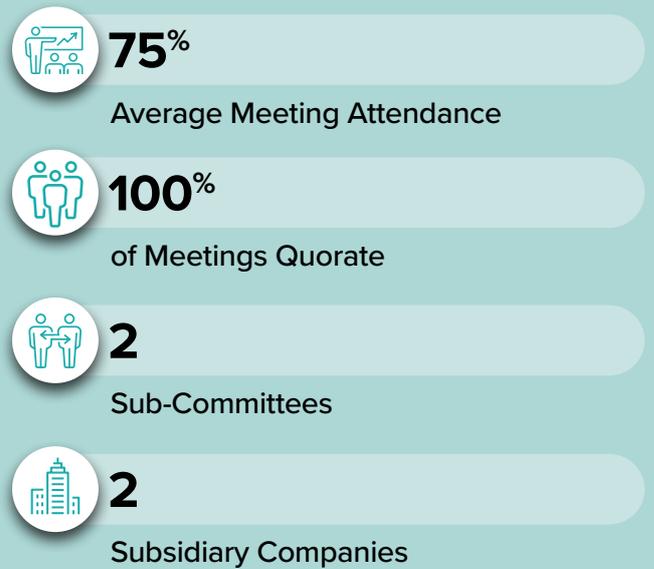
Governance

During the last year the Management Committee met 11 times with three new Committee Members elected at the AGM in June 2023. At the end of March 2024, the Management Committee comprised of 10 members and our Committee membership has continued to grow in 2024. We would like to place on record our thanks to the members of the Management Committee for their time and dedication.

We also have two sub-committees: Audit & Risk and Staffing and Health & Safety.

The subsidiary companies are each governed by a Board of Directors who report back to the Management Committee.

Key Indicators:



Assurance

During 2023-24 WSHA engaged new Internal Auditors - Quinn Internal Audit - who have conducted audits on anti-social behavior and voids management as well as following up on outstanding work from previous audits. Quinn Internal Audit also reviewed the information that we submit under the Annual Return on the Charter and the evidence that is supplied so that the Management Committee can sign off the Annual Assurance Statement.

FINANCE & IT

The Finance & IT Department ensures financial stability for WSHA through financial planning and management.



The last 12 months has continued to significantly impact on the UK economy, and, like all businesses, housing associations are operating in an ever changing and challenging environment. Alongside these issues, our tenants also continue to experience cost of living increases and uncertainty within the energy supply market. The Association continues to recognise the vital importance of supporting our tenants and remains committed to investing within Whiteinch and Scotstoun. Through our financial planning and management activities, WSHA are confident that we have the financial strength, capacity and flexibility to successfully achieve our strategic objectives, and this is reflected in our rolling comprehensive five-year budget.



Andrew Reid
Director of
Finance and IT

Summary of Income and Expenditure to 31 March 2024

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

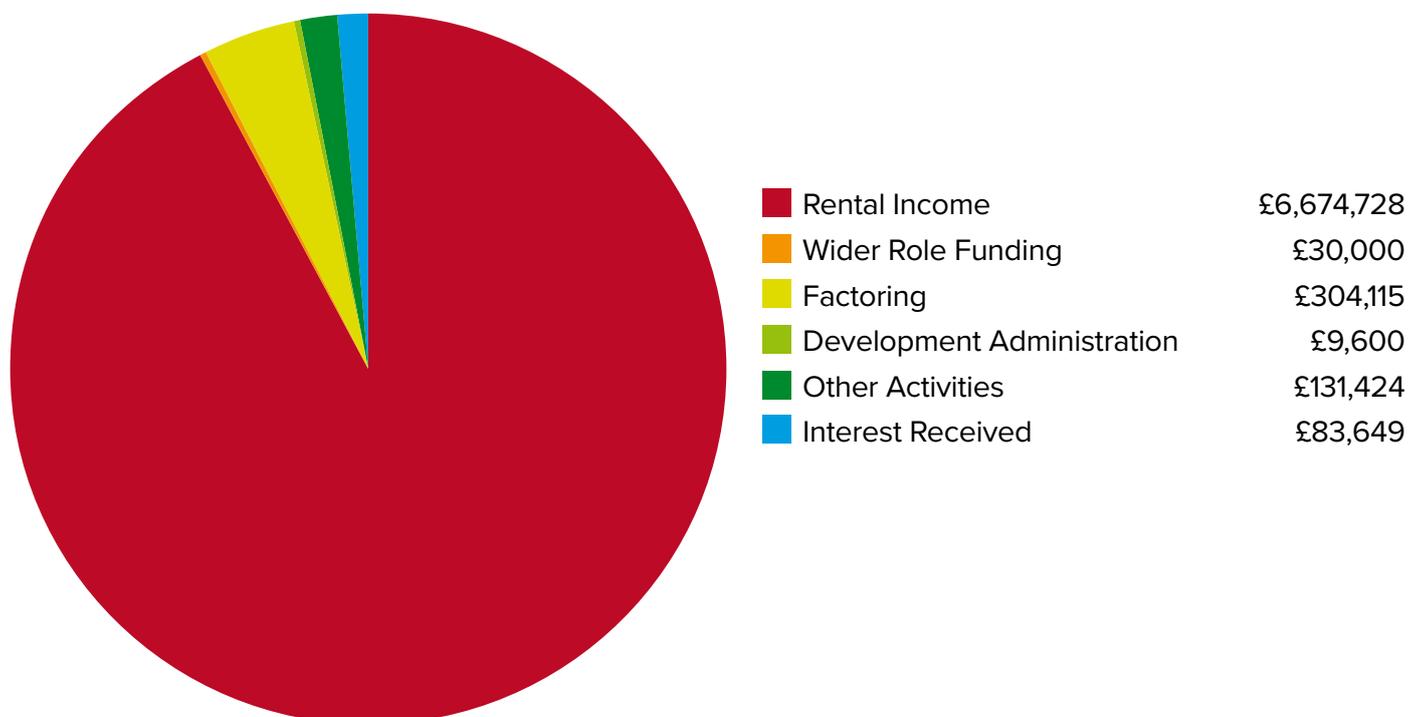
	2024
	£
Turnover	7,149,567
Less: Operating costs	-7,101,320
Operating surplus	48,247
Profit on sale of fixed assets	0
Finance income	83,649
Finance charges	-77,919
Surplus on ordinary activities before tax	53,977
Taxation	0
Surplus for the Year	53,977
Other Comprehensive Income	0
Actuarial losses in respect of pension schemes	-382,000
Surplus for the year	- 328,023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

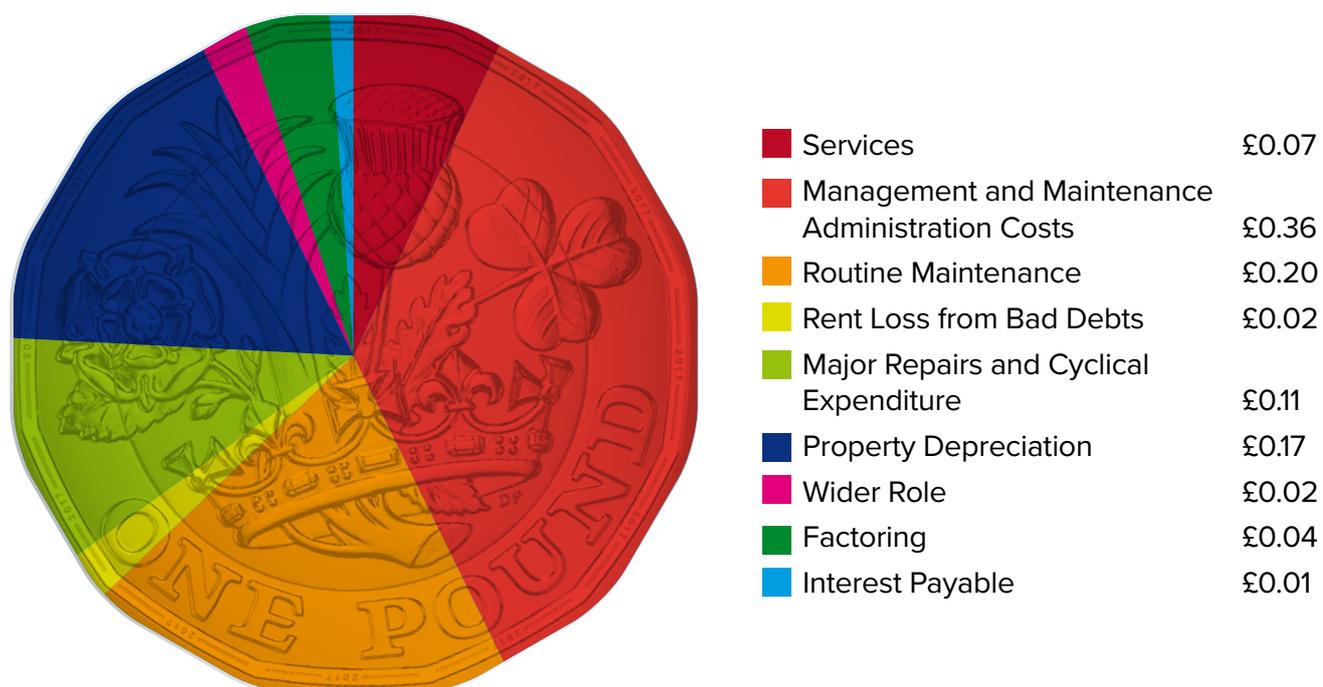
	2024
	£
Property, Plant & Equipment	
Housing properties	29,204,991
Other Fixed Assets	528,879
	29,733,870
Current Assets	
Debtors	1,206,144
Cash at hand and in bank	5,578,260
	6,784,404
Current Liabilities	
Creditors due within one year	1,927,301
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)	4,857,103
Creditors due after one year	-2,862,154
Provisions for liabilities	-692,000
Net Assets	31,036,819
Capital and Reserves	
Share capital	44
Reserves	31,036,775
	31,036,819

Summary of Income and Expenditure to 31 March 2024 (continued):

Analysis of income



Breakdown of how each £ of rent was spent



THE WHITEINCH CENTRE



The Whiteinch Centre (TWC) is committed to supporting, encouraging and enabling Whiteinch and its surrounding communities to live healthy, fulfilling and enjoyable lives.

TWC is a vibrant community hub, with a track record of delivering services and activities that empower local people and improve peoples' lives through employability, training, and health and well-being activities.

Key Objectives:

maintain a sustainable social facility led by the local community

offer learning, training and employability for local people

enable community involvement through volunteering

support local health and wellbeing

Community Advisory Group (CAG)

In December 2023 the new Community Advisory Group for TWC was launched.

The group consists of representatives from various community groups and organisations who work with TWC

to provide direction, guidance and feedback on the Centre's activities and programmes, also serving as a liaison between the community and TWC staff.

The CAG were supported to deliver the new Community Projects Fund, launched in December 2023.



Consultation

Through online surveys, a community event, and focus groups, upwards of 450 local households had the opportunity to express their views in our 2023 Community Consultation. This has given us a clear indication and benchmark of what the local community wants.

The need for a place for the community to come together and access and share food was the key theme.

In addition, we recorded views of local people at the Whiteinch Christmas Fayre on 2nd December 2023, which saw more than 1100 local people joining us for an afternoon of free festive fun and community togetherness.



Community Projects Fund

The Community Projects Fund is administered by the CAG with support from TWC and WSHA staff. Over 4,000 votes were received for the shortlisted projects and £14,419 of funding was distributed to ten projects that will be delivered in 2024-25.



£14,419

of funding distributed to ten projects.

Dumbarton Road Corridor Youth Project (DRCYP)

Dumbarton Road Corridor Youth Project, based in TWC, work in partnership with WorkingRite who deliver the



award-winning Pathfinder project: supporting 60-80 young people a year with initial engagement sessions followed by a tailored induction and mentored work placement of up to twelve weeks.

Activities & Social Groups:

- Man Club
- Tai Chi
- English Conversation Club
- Yogability
- Knitting
- Kids Activity Sessions
- Litter Picking
- Walking Group

Whiteinch Community Shop

The Whiteinch Community Shop opened in 2024 and provides a dignified approach to tackle food insecurity, health inequalities and poverty.



Key Indicators:



250 members



Member of The Scottish Pantry Network



FareShare licence holder

Volunteering

TWC engage and empower local people by offering volunteering and leadership opportunities in the development and delivery of activities and programmes. A new revised registration process, induction programme and ongoing training programme were developed and implemented in 2023.



Volunteers collectively dedicated more than 2,462 hours of time in 2023/2024.

Connectivity

The Whiteinch Centre facilitates the national data bank program on behalf of the Good Things Foundation, providing free SIM cards topped up with data and calls/text to remove barriers to inclusion.



Since December 2022 we have been able to provide 4580 Gigabytes of data and 480 months of free calls and texts.



Funding

£70,000

of grant award funding was received from The Robertson Trust, TNLCF, Stafford Trust and Connecting Scotland.

COMMITTEE & STAFF AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024

Whiteinch & Scotstoun Housing Association Committee

Office Bearers

Chairperson - Linda Stevenson
Vice-Chairperson - John Haughey
Assistant Vice-Chair (Audit) - Claudia Ennemoser
Assistant Vice-Chair (Staffing) - Jan Carmichael
Association Secretary – Andrew Reid

Committee Members

Rod Hunter
Debbie Keaveney
Linda Mimmagh
Gavin Johnston
Lana Reid-McConnell
Maureen Burke

Whiteinch & Scotstoun Housing Association Staff Members

Executive Team

Chief Executive - James Ward
Director of Corporate Services - Peter Latham
Director of Finance & IT - Andrew Reid
Director of Property Services - Jim Gordon
Director of Housing Services - Sue Shone

Finance

Morag Ross
Alison Park
Dianne McGill

Corporate Services

Kirsten Szulc
Nicola Adams
Jade MacDonald
Jan Scott
Jennifer McNally
Katherine Stewart
Brodie Stevens

Property Services

Robert Clegg
Paul Hughes
Stuart McBroom
Ali Dowlatshah
David McCormack
Julie Law
Jose (Pepe) Miguez
Brendan Quinn
Lynne McManus
Pamela McLachlan
Victoria Campbell

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Mandarin

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Polish

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Urdu

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”وائٹ انچ سینٹر“،
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