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We are delighted you are attending the SFHA Finance Conference 2019. We hope that the following information will provide attendees with all the necessary information for the conference before you arrive in Crieff.

## **Getting to Crieff**

For those travelling by car, we have enclosed directions to Crieff and the hotel.

The nearest train station is Dunblane and onward transport would be by taxi to the hotel. Please contact National Rail Enquiries for details of train times: **www.nationalrail.co.uk** or 08457 484950.

### **Upon Arrival**

When you arrive at the venue, please make your way to the SFHA Registration and Information Desk which will be located in the area outside the Drawing Room and Ballroom, through from the hotel reception area. Registration for the conference is 9.00am on Tuesday 12 November and 8.45am on Wednesday 13 November for day delegates. Please do not register before this time as SFHA staff will be setting up for the conference and may be unable to issue any materials.

When you register, you will be given the rest of your conference documentation. Please note that your delegate badge must be worn at all times within the hotel. Tea and coffee will be served during registration in the exhibition area in the Melville Hall, so please make your way to this area once you have completed the registration process.

### **Day Delegates**

The day delegate fee covers all teas, coffees and lunch as well as attendance at the conference sessions on the relevant day(s). Your confirmation will have informed you whether you have been booked to attend the drinks reception and conference dinner. If you are not booked for dinner and wish to do so, please contact the Events Team at **events@sfha.co.uk** 

Dress code for dinner is casual.

NB – please note that extra places at the conference dinner must be booked in advance. We will be unable to accept bookings at the conference.

### **Residential Delegates**

You can check in to the hotel for your room after arrival. Rooms will be available from 3.00pm, although some may be available before this time. The hotel will tag and store your luggage until your room is ready.

Your conference fee covers attendance at all conference sessions, lunch on both days, teas and coffees at programmed breaks on both days, and attendance at the drinks reception and conference dinner as well as bed and breakfast accommodation. All extras such as bar bills, newspapers etc must be paid for before departure. In order to charge items to your room, you will be asked for your credit or debit card details when you check in to the hotel.

On the day of departure, you must vacate your room by 11am at the latest. If you have not checked out by this time, the hotel may levy a charge which you will be liable to pay. Luggage can be left with the hotel until you leave.

### **Conference Sessions**

All plenary sessions during the conference will be held in the Drawing Room, located next to the registration area.

There are four blocks of workshops during the conference. Delegates who have pre-booked their workshops will be able to check what they have booked onto at the workshop desk next to the registration desk. Places are still available at some of the workshops, and we have increased the number of places at some workshops due to demand. Any free or additional places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

# SLIDO - Join in the conversation at this year's conference using your smart device

Once again you will be able to ask questions using an online tool. It is free for all conference delegates with features to make conference sessions more interactive. SLIDO is an interactive online platform which you can use before and during the conference to ask questions, answer polls and give general opinions straight from your smart phone or tablet.

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- 1. Go to: www.slido.com
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- 3. Ask YOUR question or answer the poll

And that's it! Your questions and results will appear for the conference to answer. It's anonymous and monitored by us, so feel free to ask anything you think would be useful.

We are excited about members joining in the conversation. Should you have any queries, please email **events@sfha.co.uk**.



### Wi-Fi

Complimentary Wi-Fi is provided in the conference areas.

Connect to the **Crieff Hydro Wi-Fi** network and accept the terms and conditions – no password required.

### **Conference Meals**

All meals will be served in the Meikle Restaurant at the following times:

### Tuesday 12 November

Breakfast* (*residential delegates only)	7.30 – 9.30
Lunch	13.15 – 14.15
Drinks Reception	18.30 – 19.00
Dinner*	19.00
After Dinner Entertainment in The Ferntower Suite	21.00
*Dress code for dinner is casual.	
Wednesday 13 November	
Breakfast* (*residential delegates only)	7.30 – 9.30
Lunch	14.15

### Exhibition

### **Exhibition Opening Times**

Tuesday 12 November	9.00 – 16.45
Wednesday 13 November	8.45 – 12.15

The conference is once again delighted to host an exhibition, which will be held in the Melville Hall and forms the networking hub of the conference. The exhibition offers delegates an excellent one-stop opportunity to explore the latest innovations, products and services from over 30 leading suppliers to the housing sector. Full details of the exhibiting companies are listed later in this programme.

The exhibition is an important part of the conference and we hope that delegates will support it by taking some time to visit the stands and speak to the personnel on duty.

### Leisure Facilities

During your stay, you can make use of the hotel's Leisure Club. This includes a fitness gym, heated swimming pool, sauna and steam room. Full details of the facilities on offer (and costs where applicable) can be obtained from the hotel on 01764 657609 or by visiting their website at www. crieffhydro.com

### Messages

Messages will be taken by hotel staff and left at the SFHA Registration and Information Desk. Please check regularly for messages as they will only be passed onto delegates during conference sessions in cases of emergency.

The hotel's telephone number is 01784 655555.

## We're Here to Help

To help make your time at the conference as enjoyable as possible, the following members of SFHA staff will be on hand to assist you with any queries you may have:



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## Day one programme: Tuesday 12 November 2019

09.00	Registration and Exhibition Viewing	13.15	Lunch and Exhibition Viewing
10.30	Welcome Sally Thomas, Chief Executive, SFHA	14.15	Plenary: Scottish Housing Regulator Ian Brennan, Scottish Housing Regulator In the weeks before this conference, Scottish social landlords will submit their first assurance statements to the regulator. This marks a significant change in the way regulation works in the country. This plenary session will see Ian Brennan, Director of Regulation, give his regular conference overview of the sector from the perspective of the regulator including initial thoughts on the first assurance statement process.
10.45	<b>Opening Plenary</b> Adrian Webster, Inspirational Speaker To start your day the right way, we are delighted to welcome one of Britain's most in-demand motivational speakers. Adrian Webster tells it like it is, drawing on his own varied experience in corporate life and the public sector. Witty, engaging and energetic, Adrian inspires individuals, transforms teams and electrifies entire		
	organisations with his simple but highly effective	15.15	Tea/Coffee and Exhibition Viewing
	philosophy based on Tiny Noticeable Things (TNTs) and the Shape of Integrity.	15.45	Workshops – Block B
11.30	Tea/Coffee and Exhibition Viewing	B1	Financial Return on Digitalisation
12.15	Workshops – Block A	B2	Get to Grips with Value for Money
A1	Cybercrime	B3	Financial Risk and Stress Testing
A2	Lending Latest: Tales from the Frontline	B4	Sustainable People Practices (formerly Accounting Update )
A3	Financial Risk and Stress Testing	B5	Preparing for New Data Collection
A4	Taxation Update	16.45	End of Sessions
A5	Social and Economic Impact	18.30	Drinks Reception
		19.00	Dinner and After Dinner Entertainment – The Ultimate Game Show This year's after-dinner entertainment will be the Ultimate Game Show. You and your team will become the stars of your very own game show as

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you take on some of the most popular and famous rounds from a range of classic TV game shows.

## Day two programme: Wednesday 13 November 2019

07.00	Pre-Breakfast Yoga	12.15	Workshops – Block D
	Book at information desk, places are limited	D1	Learning Across Sectors
08.45	Registration and Exhibition Viewing	D2 The Cost	The Cost Benefits of Collaboration
09.30	<b>Plenary: Economist Post-Brexit Update</b> John McLaren, Economist The economic and political future of the UK is uncertain. The UK is scheduled to leave the EU by	D3	Balancing Social Purpose and Value for Money
		D4	How Finance Can Add Value to Other Areas of the Business
31 January 2020. To s of the UK economy a	31 January 2020. To share his views on the future of the UK economy and its impact on the social	D5	Rapid Rehousing and the Impact on the Bottom Line
	housing sector, we welcome economist John McLaren. John has worked as an economist at both HM Treasury and at the Scottish Office and previously worked at the Centre for Public Policy for Regions at the University of Glasgow, where he remains an Honorary Professor of Public Policy at the Business School.	<ul> <li>13.30 Closing Panel Session - The Future of Finance Post 2021</li> <li>Piers Williamson, The Housing Finance Corp Polly Jones, SFHA</li> <li>The Scottish Government have started work on their post 2021 housing programme which they state will allow the country to re-imagine a housing system and create a vision for housing between now and 2040.</li> </ul>	
10.30	Workshops – Block C		housing system and create a vision for housing
C1	Maximising Value through Procurement		
C2	Update on the Scottish Housing Associations' Pension Scheme (SHAPS)		This panel session will discuss progress with the current housing programme as well as
C3	FOI – Freedom of Information		what work has been done so far on creating
C4	Treasury Management & Funding		a vision for how our homes and communities should look and feel in 2040 and the options, choices and investment required to get us there.
C5	Legal Clinic		
11.30	<ul> <li>Tea/Coffee and Exhibition Viewing</li> <li>Your last opportunity to visit the Exhibition for this</li> </ul>		Hear a range of views on what we might see in future when it comes to financing the sector.
	year's conference.	14.15	Lunch and Depart

#### GDPR and your privacy

Due to the new laws coming into effect for GDPR the SFHA has updated our privacy policy to ensure it meets these new standards. You can view it at www.sfha.co.uk/privacy-policy

#### Important notice

This programme is correct at the time of going to press. We reserve the right to make alterations or substitutions if necessary. All timings may be subject to change. Views expressed by speakers at the event or in documents or notes provided are their own and may not necessarily be the views of SFHA.

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## Workshops day one

### Workshop bookings

Delegates who have pre-booked their workshops can get a reminder of their booking at the workshop desk next to the registration desk. Places are still available on some of the workshops and we have increased numbers in some workshops due to demand. Any free or additional places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis at the workshop desk.

### 1215 Block A

- A1 Cybercrime
  - Alison Stone, SCVO

As organisations online services evolve, the risk of disruption and reputational damage can increase. In this informative session, speakers will address what constitutes a 'cybercrime', what an association's legal position is regarding cyber risks and what you can do about it.

A2 Lending Latest: Tales from the Frontline Alan Brown, Eildon Housing Association Housing associations are borrowing more than ever to help the Scottish Government meet their current 50,000 homes programme as well as funding other priorities such as improving energy efficiency and fire safety in existing homes. In this session we will hear from Alan Brown, Director of Finance at Eildon Housing Association, about the organisations' recent private placement journey. Alan will offer helpful tips on what to do – and what not to do – for those looking to borrow in this way.

### A3 Financial Risk and Stress Testing Paul McNeil, HRC

Paul McNeil will tackle one of the big topics for the sector in this workshop. Come along to learn more about how financial risks materialise, how to quantify financial risk and how to conduct appropriate stress testing and analysis.

### A4 Taxation Update

Colin Brow & David McKinlay, RSM UK Audit LLP A conference regular, RSM will provide a view and annual update of the practical and commercial tax and VAT issues they are working on with housing association clients, their subsidiaries, other stakeholders and trading partners. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions and discuss any issues you may have.

### A5 Social and Economic Impact

Lorna Wilson and members of SFHA Innovation Community

Social housing providers are social purpose organisations. Social value is part of everything we do. Measuring and understanding our social and economic impact can inform investment decisions, demonstrate value for money, improve services, drive growth, and influence stakeholders. At this workshop you'll meet the crosssector team who are developing a common approach to measuring impact, as part of SFHA's Innovation and Future Thinking Programme. And you'll have the chance to test the first prototype of the new framework.

### 1545 Block B

B1	Financial Return on Digitalisation
	Derek Adam, Cairn Housing Association;
	Rob Wray, HACT

Technology is transforming how housing associations deliver services to their tenants and is enabling housing associations unprecedented levels of engagement with their tenants. This sessions' speakers will discuss how they are using digital technology to deliver more inclusive, efficient and cost-effective housing services. They will set out the business case for delivering services online, how to measure the return and what cultural changes were required to ensure operational agility.

### B2 Get to Grips with Value for Money

Kirsty Wells, House Mark; Ian Thomas, Trivallis This session will cover the findings of the recent Scottish Sector Scorecard and what the next steps are for value for money work in the sector. The second speaker will discuss their value for money journey including how their new Value for Money Strategy delivers efficiencies for customers and for the business. You'll also hear more about the lessons learned from that journey so far.

## Workshops day one and two

### Day one – Block B workshops continued

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### B4 Sustainable People Practices (formerly Accounting Update )

### Jude Lean, RSM UK Audit LLP

People are central to business delivery and there are a number of changes taking affect within the employment landscape, in order to support and strengthen this view, creating modern working practices as supported by the good work plan. We will be taking a look at key people challenges including diversity, engagement, talent management and cultural development, in order to minimise risk and deliver effectively. Several government initiatives are aimed at large organisations such as gender pay gap reporting, employee engagement and the impact on the sustainable development of the company however these are pertinent to all companies.

### B5 Preparing for New Data Collection

Stuart Eglinton, SE Training

Data gathering is an important component to identifying inequality, initiating activity and evaluating progress as required to meet equality legislation. Collecting data on the protected characteristics of tenants will become a requirement in 2020. This data collection will often fall to housing association finance teams who are now commonly responsible for IT and corporate services. How should you prepare for this new data collection? Attend this session to find out.

### Workshops – Day two

### 1030 Block C

C1 Maximising Value through Procurement Colin Taylor, Scotland Excel; Lynette Lees, Clydebank Housing Association Interested in hearing practical tips for improving your association through procurement using finance as the focus? This is the session for you. Come along to hear from Colin Taylor on how to ensure you are getting the best value for the communities you serve through your procurement processes. Lynette Lees will also outline her own experiences and answer any questions you might have.

 C2 Update on the Scottish Housing Associations' Pension Scheme (SHAPS) Rachel Holmes and Ron Watson, TPT Hear the latest updates on SHAPS including the results of the 2018 valuation and experiences following the accounting changes introduced in 2019.
 C3 FOI – Freedom of Information Eileen Barr, TC Young At the time of the conference, FOI extension

At the time of the conference, FOI extension will have just taken place. This session will have experts on hand to answer any questions you may have about the requirements.

### C4 Treasury Management & Funding

Alistair Berwick and Richard Murphy, ATFS This session from Treasury specialists ATFS will provide an overview of what's happening in treasury management within the sector. With continued focus by the SHR on Governance and Financial Management what should you be doing to ensure you are complying with the regulations and keeping your members up to speed. Alistair and Richard will also look at the latest funding structures being offered by lenders/investors to the sector along with the latest update on market rates.

## Workshops day two

### C5 Legal Clinic

Paul McMahon, McMahon Employment Law; Lauren Little, TC Young In this session, legal advisors will be on hand

to not only outline the main emerging issues over the past year, but also to answer any questions you may have about these and any other issues you'd like to highlight.

#### 1215 Block D

D1 Learning Across Sectors

David Hourston, Brewin Dolphin What can we learn from other sectors? Our speaker works with clients across several sectors including housing and David will discuss learning across sectors and allow a chance for discussion between attendees on their own hints and tips.

#### D2 The Cost Benefits of Collaboration

Shirley Robison, Barrhead Housing Association;
Stephen McAvoy, Muirhouse Housing Association
Collaboration is a housing sector buzzword, but
what does is mean in practice? A speaker from
FLAIR (the Federation of Local Associations
in Renfrewshire and East Renfrewshire) will
highlight their successes over 30 years of
collaboration as well as share any tips for those
considering a similar venture. While a speaker
from ARCHIE (The Alliance of Registered
Co-operatives and Housing Associations,
Independent in Edinburgh) will discuss the aims
of this new partnership, formed in early 2019.

D3 Balancing Social Purpose and Value for Money Helen Forsyth, Chief Executive, Berwickshire Housing Association Social purpose and value for money can be

considered two sides of the same coin, but how does this work in practice for housing associations who need to run a sustainable business and wish to transform the communities they operate in at the same time? Our speaker will explore what practical steps your organisation can take to achieve this.

### D4 How Finance Can Add Value to Other Areas of the Business

Gillian Houston, Arneil Johnston The role of finance staff goes beyond accounting, but how can the finance function add value to other areas of the business? Examples of this added value include modelling, streamlining operations and providing comprehensive analysis of strategic initiatives. Learn from those who do it best in this session.

### D5 Rapid Rehousing and the Impact on the Bottom Line

Pamela Newey, South Lanarkshire Council; Stewart Gibb, West of Scotland Housing Association

The move to Rapid Rehousing for people who are chronically or episodically homeless, combining rapid access to permanent housing with community-based, integrated treatment, rehabilitation and support services has started in Scotland. Overall costs of services used by people experiencing homeless can be considerable, suggesting the potential for significant cost offsets with rapid rehousing. However, this approach requires a significant 'spend to save' investment. Join this session to learn more about costs – and savings associated with the shift to rapid rehousing.



## **Exhibition**

Don't forget to take time during the conference programme to visit the exhibition stands.

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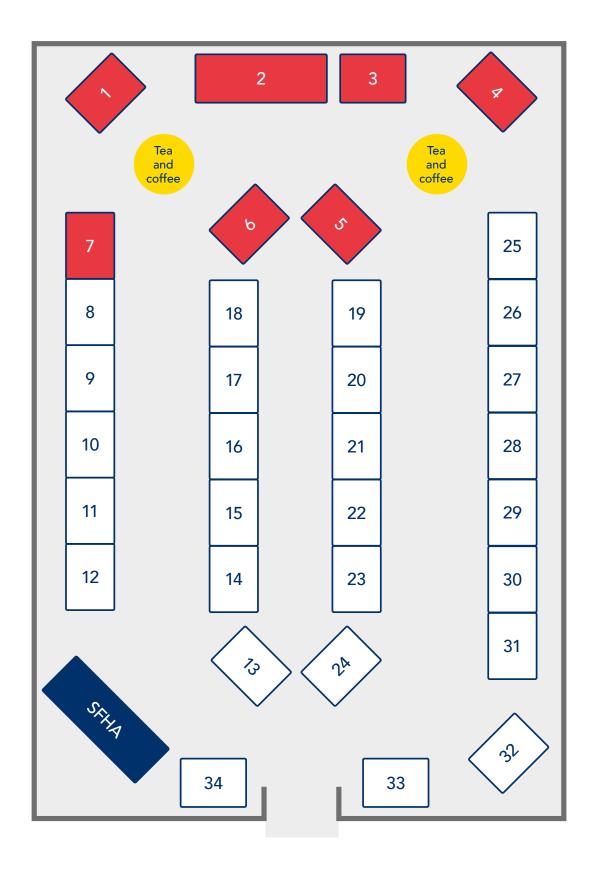
SFHA's commercial partners, voluntary organisations and housing associations are represented in the exhibition. We appreciate the continued support of these organisations, many of whom return each year to support SFHA events. We hope you will introduce yourselves and let them tell you about the products and services they have to offer. The conference exhibition gives you the opportunity to:

- Meet with housing professionals from a range of organisations
- Consider the diverse range of products and services available
- Initiate contacts which may lead to worthwhile partnerships
- Learn about the work of other housing associations/co-operatives

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We also specialise in providing counter-fraud, security management, digital forensics and data analytics services.

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### 14 Arthur Online

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Arthur is a cloud-based award-winning property management software, that brings property managers, agents, tenants, owners and contractors together on one platform. The Arthur integration with Xero and QuickBooks is a 'best of breed' approach to ensure powerful and comprehensive accounting. Arthur puts all property related financial transactions in one place including rents, contractor invoices, payments, agency fees, portal fees and owners' income. Arthur places the property manager at the centre and maximises efficiencies at every stage of the tenancy journey, from finding and onboarding tenants, to managing the property during the rental period and much more.

### 15 Alexander Sloan

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Alexander Sloan accountants and business advisers were formed in 1867 and are based in Glasgow and Edinburgh. We have provided services to RSLs for over 30 years and we are currently engaged by over 50 Scottish RSLs to provide either external or internal audit services. In addition to audit and assurance we provide other services to the sector including business advisory, consultancy, training for staff and governing body members, payroll bureau and tax compliance and advisory.

## 16 Law at Work

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As trusted experts in employment law, HR and health & safety, we offer a range of flexible employee relations services under one roof. By delivering top quality, all-inclusive fixed-fee advice, we enable RSLs to take quick, confident and decisive action.

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### 17 Castle Computer Services

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We support housing associations of all sizes throughout the UK where we combine 35 years' sector experience with market-leading software to help transform organisations.

We're passionate about delivering and supporting powerful financial management software and visual analytics solutions to social housing providers who use this technology to empower their teams and tenants, streamline processes and ultimately transform their organisation in a digital world.

We're also helping to give time back to their IT teams who trust us to support the day to day running of their infrastructure - cloud or on-premise, allowing them to focus on what they do best.

### 18 Allia C&C

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Allia C&C's Scottish Charitable Bond programme supports the vital development of affordable homes across Scotland by providing loans to housing associations using Scottish Government investment. Interest on the loans is re-used by Scottish Government as grants for further social housing benefit.

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Allia C&C also offer a range of debt advisory and arrangement services to help you find the optimal funding solution – whether through a bank loan, private placement or bond.

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### 19 Marsh JLT – (JLT Specialty Ltd)

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The Marsh JLT Housing team has extensive experience in working with Social Housing providers of all sizes across the UK for over 25 years. The team brings together to combined experience of the JLT Housing team with Marsh's Public Sector expertise to provide a breadth of knowledge and resource to support the Housing sector. We understand the idiosyncrasies of the housing sector and focus on providing bespoke insurance solutions to each individual organisation. One of our specialists would be more than happy to discuss your insurance arrangements and explain the benefits the Marsh JLT offering could bring to your organisation.

### 20 Chiene + Tait LLP

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Chiene + Tait LLP is a leading, independent provider of audit, tax and finance agency services to Registered Social Landlords. We also assist RSLs with business planning, loan funding negotiations, VAT and tax planning, financial modelling, treasury management, cashflow advice, forecasting, payroll bureau and IT support across Scotland. Our clients range from community based to national organisations, including stock transfer associations. For more information, please visit us at **www.chiene.co.uk**.

### 21 Rubixx

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Rubixx is an Advanced TruePartner of OpenAccounts and eBIS, supporting Social Housing Organisations ranging from 500 to 33,000 customers. With some of the country's most experienced implementers and support staff, we're focused on long-term customer relationships.

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## 22 INVU

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Invu are an established provider of Document Management and Business Process Automation solutions to housing associations. These solutions improve efficiency, visibility and control over processes throughout the entire organisation.

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### 23 Highlander Security Shredding

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### 24 Designer Software

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Product: Web Based Housing Management & Finance Solution (HomeMaster by Designer Software)

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### 25 Workflo Solutions

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Workflo Solutions is one of Scotland's leading managed service providers. With extensive expertise in Managed Print Services, Digital Workflow Solutions, Electronic Document Management Software, Cloud Computing and IT Infrastructure Support.

We believe our service offering is unrivalled. We have won various industry and business awards, including business growth & innovation from WLCC for our progressive approach to managed services.

We take our customers reputation and infrastructure seriously and their operational performance is paramount. With an exemplary record of delivering solutions across the UK, we can demonstrate the experience, expertise, enthusiasm & resource to deliver the right solution in a low risk, professional and timely manner.

## 26 SDM Housing Software

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SDM Housing Software is once again delighted to support the SFHA Finance Conference 2019.

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## 27 JLL Ltd

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### 28 Scott Moncrieff

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For over 25 years, Scott-Moncrieff has provided internal and external audit to over 50 Scottish associations, cooperatives, ranging from small associations managing as few as 28 units, to large organisations with over 12,000.

In addition to our role as auditors and accountants to RSLs, we assist with the preparation of internal policies, VAT and tax planning, production of business plans, provision of payroll services, completion of returns to regulatory authorities and setting up accounting systems.

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Quinn Internal Audit & Business Support Services is the leading provider of bespoke internal audit and business support services to the Scottish Social Housing Sector – we were engaged by the SFHA to develop the 'Internal Audit Guidance' document, which was published in March 2018. What makes us different? Members of our team have been social housing practitioners. Our Managing Director is on the Board of Southside Housing Association and Chair of their Audit Committee. Another Director is the Chair of Melville Housing Association. This gives us a unique perspective on the challenges and opportunities faced by RSLs on both a strategic and an operational level. For more information please contact Alex Cameron, Managing Director on 0795 7117 913, via cqaudit.com, or email: alex@quinn-internal-audit.co.uk.

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### 32 Brewin Dolphin

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## 33 Pay360 by Capita

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Pay360 by Capita is a leading provider of payment collection and income management solutions to both the public and private sectors. Our portfolio includes a range of fully modular, secure payment solutions tailored to your specific needs so however your customers prefer to pay, we've got it covered.

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We work closely with a wide range of social housing clients and know the pressures you face to meet demanding stakeholder requirements. We understand the regulatory landscape you work within and have specialists who are advisers to sector regulators and trade bodies, including lead advisers to the SFHA.