

Northern Ireland Housing Associations' Charitable Trust (NIHACT)

ANNUAL REPORT for 2022-23

The 2022-23 year has been another quiet year for NIHACT however plans were put in place during the year (and completed post-year) for a new committee to be established and the charity to have an increased plan of activity. The Trustee Board of the Charity, NIFHA, continued to be review and develop how best the charity can support the work of the 20 charitable housing associations across Northern Ireland and appointed a new Chair to lead the activities of the charity going forward. A new committee was appointed post March 2023 and they are now steering the new operational plan for NIHACT, to maximise its impact on the local charitable housing sector.

NIFHA's Corporate Trustee, the Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations (NIFHA) undertook an assessment of how best NIHACT can develop and deliver a range of activities and outcomes for the charity and for local charitable housing associations, and is keen to maximise the impact that NIHACT can have across the social housing sector, particularly for the most vulnerable. The Charity aims continue to be:

- To facilitate and enable housing associations to become more efficient and effective through the charity's offering of strategic support and advice, promotion of good practice and partnership and support to access funding opportunities.
- To support housing associations to carry out their own charitable activities which will increase their impact and contribution to Northern Ireland's society and environment beyond the provision of core housing, care and support services

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