## DAVID CLAPHAM

David Clapham is Honorary Professor of Housing at Glasgow University and has taught and researched housing for over 45 years. He was Academic Advisor and Chief Examiner for the Chartered institute of Housing for 15 years as well as running and teaching on CIH validated courses in Cardiff and Reading Universities as well as Glasgow.

David has experience of board membership of housing associations in Wales for 15 years before moving back to Scotland in 2020.

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## AUDREY SINCLAIR

Born and brought up in West Lothian, most of Audrey's working life was spent as a Chemistry/Physics teacher in Suffolk. She returned to Scotland and settled in Badicaul, Kyle in 1994. She retrained in Primary Teaching and spent over 10 years teaching in primary schools in Lochalsh and South Skye, working mostly with Gaelic medium classes.

She has spent time as a Highland Councillor for the Wester Ross, Strathpeffer and Lochalsh Ward, during which time she chaired the Biodiversity Partnership, was Vice-chair of the North Area Planning Application Committee, Vice-Convener of the Highlands & Islands Fire Board and Chair of the Planning, Development, and Infrastructure Strategic Committee.

Audrey now continues her involvement in more locally based groups. She is Chairperson of Kyle Community Council and Kyleakin Connections. She has also been involved for several years with Kyle Village Hall and Skye & Lochalsh Beekeepers Association.

She became a member of the LSHA Governing Body in 2013 and was Chairperson from 2018-23.

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## LIZ WILLIAMS

My background is in housing management, working for Housing Associations and Highland Council since 1985. From 1998 - 2017 I was Principal Housing Officer for Highland Council and managed the Housing Service in Skye and Lochalsh.

In 2018 I started working for The Scottish Courts and Tribunal Service as a Member of the Housing and Property Tribunal.

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## ROBIN NAIRN

Robin was appointed to the Board in May 2022.

Robin is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland being admitted in 1982. In 1993 Robin was employed by Albyn Housing Society Limited as Head of Finance, holding that post until 2015. In 2001 he was also appointed Deputy Chief Executive. In 2015 he was appointed Chief Operating Officer until his retirement in 2020.

He has over 25 years' experience in senior roles within Albyn. His experience includes financial and operations including development, housing management and maintenance. He has advised Albyn's Board with strategic decisions, risk management and the regulatory framework that Housing Association's work. He also has extensive experience obtaining finance including a private placement.

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## ROBERT MUIR

A native of Ayrshire, and graduate of Glasgow University, Robert spent the first 15 years of his working life in the financial sector in London and the Thames Valley. He relocated to Skye with his family in 1992 to take up a business development position with Skye and Lochalsh Enterprise, part of the newly established Highlands and Islands Enterprise Network. After 28 very rewarding years working in economic and community development, Robert retired in 2020 as Area Manager for HIE covering Lochaber, Skye and Wester Ross.

He has been involved in a range of local community groups and organisations, including as Chair of Portree High School Board and Parent Council, Skeabost and District Community Council, and with An Tuireann Arts Centre. He was also closely involved for 10 years as part-owner of the Isle of Skye Sea Salt Company.

He enjoys music, history and travel, and he and his wife have lived in Skeabost for over 30 years.

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## TIM WALLIS

Tim was a General and Mental Health nurse in hospitals and the communities of Lancashire. He became a Senior Lecturer at the University of Huddersfield teaching and writing nursing degrees and a wide range of other undergraduate and Post Graduate programmes. He was also a consultant and trainer in the health, social care and housing sector. He supported the developments of a multi professional community-based education programme with the British Council working at a University in Ethiopia.

Moving towards teaching in community development his links with the voluntary and housing sector again led him to work with the British Council developing global

citizenship education and training programmes designed to empower young people. He delivered these across the north of England, Pakistan and Bangladesh.

He has extensive experience as a member and chair of many Faculty and University boards and as Chair of Governors at two schools.

Moving to Skye he was elected to the Dunvegan Community Council and was delighted to be appointed to the Board of the Association.

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## EMMA MACLEOD

Emma MacLeod joined the Lochalsh and Skye Housing Association Board to bring a practical, frontline perspective to strategic decision-making. She has worked continuously in the social housing sector since 2013, initially in Glasgow before relocating to Inverness in 2018, where she continues her housing career.

Alongside her extensive hands-on industry experience, Emma is a long-serving trade union representative who is deeply passionate about fostering positive workplace cultures, supporting staff well-being, and ensuring high service standards for communities.

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## STEVEN PROUDFOOT

Skills development in the housing and property sectors has been an interest of Steven's for many years from the establishment of Asset Skills, the Sector Skills Council responsible for housing, to the founding of Nuts-and-Bolts Training which focussed on the maintenance and management of buildings.

Moving to the Highlands in 2014, Steven joined the board of Lochalsh and Skye Housing Association and served for 5 years when he left to focus on his developing training business. Finally retiring in 2024, he rejoined the board and hopes that his experience of working with government and its agencies along with his business background will be of some assistance.

Away from housing, Steven runs a small croft in Lochcarron and is keen member of Skye Chorus.

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