





## Meet Our Board

	<p><b>Ann Bennett – Chair</b></p> <p>Ann has held senior roles at a number of Housing Associations, ALMOs and local authorities including Solihull Community Housing, Sandwell Homes, Worcester City Council and Birmingham City Council before retiring in 2017. She was also a Lead Housing Inspector with the Audit Commission.</p>
	<p><b>Trevor Graham – Chair of Investment Committee and Member of People and Culture Committee</b></p> <p>Trevor has a background in Building Surveying working at Birmingham City Council’s Housing Department in numerous roles culminating in a managerial role within the organisation’s Technical Services Department. In 2017 Trevor set up his own consultancy specialising in transformational change.</p>
	<p><b>Clare Jackson – Member of Operations Committee and People and Culture Committee</b></p> <p>Clare is a qualified housing professional and former Executive Director of a large Midlands Housing Association. Clare has worked in a variety of housing settings from LSVT and mainstream housing associations to metropolitan and city local authorities. Over the last few years, she has been involved in 3 mergers always ensuring the customer experience and supporting communities remained at the heart of the business.</p>
	<p><b>Tim Leslie – Chair of Audit and Assurance Committee and Member of Operations Committee [Retiring September 2024]</b></p> <p>Tim is a senior civil servant at Ofqual, the exams regulator. His current position is Director of the National Reference Test, a new test launched in a sample of schools this year. He has been responsible for its design and development, procurement and commercial management, and now leads its annual delivery.</p>
	<p><b>Tony Tench – Chair of Operations Committee and Member of Investment Committee [Retiring September 2024]</b></p> <p>Tony has over 20 years of experience in housing, development, asset management and social care. He is currently Chief Operations Officer for Housing and Care 21, a leading registered provider of quality housing and social care for older people.</p>

	<p><b>Tim Jennings – Member of the Audit and Assurance Committee and Investment Committee</b></p> <p>Tim has over 35 years’ experience across both the private and social housing sectors. After qualifying as a chartered accountant, Tim spent around 25 years in the private sector, primarily with Capita Plc, as Finance Director for businesses in property consultancy, maintenance and property management. Tim has served on several Boards, including Capita Property Services, Aldwyck Housing and currently sits on Ability Housing’s Board.</p>
	<p><b>Kim Hamilton – Member of Audit and Assurance Committee and People and Culture Committee</b></p> <p>Kim’s first career was in investment banking where she spent 22 years at a major US bank holding positions. Her second career was in the not-for-profit sector where she was Chief Operating Officer and subsequently Chief Executive of two national charities. In recent years Kim has focused on her own portfolio, investing in property and the housing sector where she has had an interest for many years.</p>
	<p><b>Catherine Dass – Member of Operations Committee and People and Culture Committee</b></p> <p>Catherine is a Fellow of the CIPD and has over 20 years’ experience in the Housing Sector as an Executive Director and Non-Executive Director. Catherine has held roles as Director of People and Performance and Group Business Improvement Director at large Midlands Housing Associations. Catherine’s primary areas of responsibility whilst in the sector have been in people, organisational change and performance including Organisational Development and Transformation, HR, L&amp;D, Leadership Development, Marketing and Communications, Governance, Business Improvement and Equalities and Diversity. She has also overseen Risk, Compliance, Procurement, Employer Health and Safety and Data Compliance.</p>
	<p><b>Jennifer Preedy – Member of Audit and Risk Committee and Member of People and Culture Committee</b></p> <p>Jennifer has over 17 years’ experience within the Social Housing sector, and currently work for Connexus Homes as their Head of Organisational Development. She has graduate and post graduate qualifications in Strategic People Management, Strategic Leadership and Management, and Communications and has held a number of senior roles over the years, which has given her a wide-ranging knowledge. She has significant experience of leading teams during times of change. She’s motivated by creating opportunities to build organisational capacity and positively influence organisational culture, and customer satisfaction.</p>

**Current Vacancy [successfully recruited and starting May 2024] – Member of Operations Committee**