

RITA STENHOUSE

Rita was appointed to the Board in November 2008 Rita has over 20 years' experience in a range of senior management positions in social housing. A former Chair and Treasurer of the Chartered Institute of Housing in Scotland, and a Board member for 25 years.

Rita started her housing career as a Housing Officer with the Scottish Special Housing Association (SSHA).

After qualifying, (CIH Professional qualification) Rita was promoted to the post of Area Housing Manager Lanarkshire (7500 houses) and latterly to the post of Regional Housing Manager North Region, (25,000 houses) prior to the merger with the Housing Corporation in Scotland when Scottish Homes was set up. Ultimately, as Director of Community Ownership with Communities Scotland she worked closely with the Scottish Executive Housing and Strategy Division, reporting directly to Ministers, in developing the policy which introduced the Scottish Housing Quality Standard.