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HOUSING ASSOCIATION

Pentland Housing Association is delighted to confirm that it is looking to develop a constitutional partnership with another Housing Association. It is pursuing this option to ensure that there are more investment opportunities available for the Caithness area – investment in the existing stock as well as the opportunity to investigate new build opportunities in the area.

Jim Hair Chair of Pentland Housing Association explained that “this was an opportunity for Pentland to improve and extend services to existing tenants but also investigate what a larger organisation might bring to Caithness. Going forward we have substantial challenges particularly around depopulation, overheads and keeping rents affordable and being part of a larger Housing Association may bring a different approach that will benefit our existing and future tenants to ensure key targets are being met.”

Mr Hair emphasised that tenants would be at the heart of this process going forward and all tenants have received an early communication confirming that this would not impact on their tenancy, everyone now and in the future would remain a Scottish Secure Tenant with the protection that the legislation brings. Tenant Participation Association Scotland have been engaged to independently advise tenants throughout the process.

Neil Robertson Chair of Pentland Community Enterprise confirmed that “PCE is excited at the prospect of a larger organisation that maybe able to better invest in some of the ideas discussed for complementary services to the housing stock in Caithness. This might be the opportunity that we have needed for some time and could bring benefits for not just Caithness but Caithness and North Sutherland.”