

West Granton Housing Co-op is a member of the Alliance of Registered Co-operatives and Housing Associations Independent in Edinburgh (ARCHIE)

## The members of ARCHIE are:

- Harbour Homes
- Lister Housing Co-operative
- Manor Estates Housing Association
- Muirhouse Housing Association
- Prospect Community Housing
- Viewpoint Housing Association
- West Granton Housing Co-operative (Chair)

ARCHIE's mission is to combine our skills and experience supporting the diversity of the group to enable each to become better and stronger at what we do.

ARCHIE's purpose is to secure benefits to all members and their respective customers/service users, improving the access to and cost effectiveness of services and for required specialisms to provide additional capacity, secure added value, to reduce/mitigate risk, and to improve assurance with regulatory compliance.

Through sharing services and collaborating on joint activities ARCHIE members provide value for money and keep rents affordable.

Past ARCHIE successes include joint ventures such as distributing energy saving packs to tenants and energy use advice. One of the most successful projects is the provision of Tenant Advice Services, which includes money, debt, benefits and tenancy sustainment advice.

The current activity plan continues to build on support, communication and alignment, which has been a key strength of the partnership, for staff and boards. We will do this through collaboration and sharing knowledge, training and other common services.