



Repairs and Maintenance Policy

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REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE POLICY

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SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION & POLICY CONTEXT

- 1.1 Ardenglen Housing Association is a community based Housing Association operating in the Castlemilk area of Glasgow. At the time of writing we own approximately 956 properties. Of these 548 is rehabilitated tenemental stock, while the remaining are new build houses, cottage flats and tenements.
- 1.2 Ardenglen is committed to maintaining our properties and common areas to the highest possible standard, whilst providing an excellent service. This standard is achieved through our **repairs and maintenance policy, estate management, void management, medical adaptations and rechargeable repairs policies**
- 1.3 This policy covers all aspects of the maintenance service incorporating, reactive, planned and cyclical works
- 1.4 The Repairs and Maintenance policy has been developed to take account of legislative, regulatory and good practice requirements in relation to service delivery in this area of operation.

SECTION 2

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The Association aims to meet the Scottish Government Social Housing Charter outcomes 1, 4, 5 and 13 which state;

Outcome 1- **Equalities** – Every tenant and customer has their individual needs recognised, is treated fairly and with respect, and receives fair access to housing and housing services

Outcome 2 - **Communication** – Social landlords manage their business so that tenants and other customers find it easy to communicate with their landlord and get the information they need about their landlord, how and why it makes decisions and the services it provides

Outcome 4 – **Quality of housing** – Tenants homes as a minimum, meet the Scottish Housing Quality Standard by April 2015 and continue to meet it thereafter, and when they are allocated, are always clean, tidy and in a good state of repair

Outcome 5 – **Repairs, maintenance & improvements** - Tenants homes are well maintained, with repairs and improvements carried out when required, and tenants are given reasonable choices about when work is done

Outcome 13 –**Value for money** – tenants, owners and other customers receive services that provide continually improving value for the rent and other charges they pay

- 2.2 To comply with legal duties, codes of good practice and obligations contained within the tenancy agreement.
- 2.3 To provide homes in a safe and high standard of repair that offer a warm, comfortable and healthy living environment for occupants; and which remain in demand
- 2.4 To provide an efficient and responsive reactive repairs service that reflects tenant priorities and gets repairs done right, on time, first time
- 2.5 To have consideration of best value through the procurement process
- 2.6 Ensure effective systems are in place to monitor all performance and financial aspects of the maintenance service which will underpin the planning of works and enable the Management Committee to control the service
- 2.7 Provide customers with regular performance information and a range of opportunities to be involved the development of the full range of maintenance repairs activities and services. This is detailed further within our **Tenant Participation Strategy**
- 2.8 To ensure practices and procedures are reviewed as a result of feedback through our repair satisfaction survey and complaints procedure

SECTION 3

ROLES IN SERVICE PROVISION

- 3.1 The Management Committee will have responsibility for approval of this policy on the basis that it meets regulatory requirements and supports the mission and objectives of the organisation. It also ensures approval for the budgetary requirements to implement the policy.
- 3.2 The Housing Services Manager has responsibility to ensure that the policy is applied and meets the Association's Business Plan and budget objectives
- 3.3 The Finance Manager has responsibility for ensuring that the appropriate financial information is provided quarterly via the Associations management accounts
- 3.4 The Senior Maintenance Officer has responsibility to ensure that appropriate technical support, advice and training is provided to the Management Committee, the Housing Services Manager and other relevant members of staff

- 3.5 The Customer Services Section has responsibility for the operational delivery of the policy. The individual roles and responsibilities are detailed within the procedural guidance

SECTION 4

LEGISLATION

- 4.1 The legislative requirements include the need to comply with the range of health and safety duties imposed upon landlords; and various landlord responsibilities set out in the 2001 and 2010 Housing (Scotland) Acts. Various contractual terms are imposed via relevant tenancy, occupancy and management agreements. The Association shall ensure all its practices accord with these terms and requirements.

SECTION 5

REPAIR RESPONSIBILITIES

- 5.1 Repair obligations of the landlord are summarised below;
- a. External fabric - To repair and maintain the external fabric of the building and related common parts in a good condition under the terms of the responsive, cyclical and major repairs programmes as detailed in this policy. This includes, for example, roofs, external walls, gutters, downpipes and close doors
 - b. Internal common works – To maintain common entrances, stairways, passageways and other common areas in a good condition and fit for use by the resident household and visitors. This includes for example stairs, close windows and communal TV aerials
 - c. Internal fitments – To repair and maintain installations which have been provided by the Association. This includes for example, kitchen and bathroom fitments, pipework for the supply of gas and water, heating systems and electrical wiring, windows and doors.
 - d. Environmental repairs – To repair and maintain environmental areas owned by the Association such as paths, walls fences, bin stores, play areas, drying areas and hard and soft landscaping
- 5.2 Under legislation tenants have obligations to report and allow access to carry out repairs to their home and the common areas. They also have responsibility for specific areas of maintenance. Full details of responsibility are contained within Appendix 1.

SECTION 6

RECHARGEABLE REPAIRS

- 6.1 Charges will be levied where a repair becomes necessary as a result of the wilful, negligent or accidental actions of a tenant, household member or visitor to a property as oppose to through fair wear and tear. Full details on the process and circumstances for charging are contained within the Associations **Rechargeable Repair policy**.

SECTION 7

THE REACTIVE REPAIRS SERVICE

- 7.1 We will offer a wide range of methods to maximise ease of reporting. Repairs may be reported by phone, text, email, in person, in writing or via the Associations website
- 7.2 For non emergency repairs, we will operate a repair by appointment system on specific dates or days and at a time in either the morning or the afternoon. Where requested, we can also make arrangements for contractors to call between 5-7pm or on Saturday mornings.
- 7.3 With all repair works, the Association will aim to ensure that good quality materials are used by contractors and that high standards of workmanship are attained. We will clearly identify our expectations to our contractors and also invite customer feedback via our satisfaction survey at individual repair level.
- 7.4 We will publicise information about the service in a number of ways. The tenant handbook and website in particular will provide detailed information such as repair responsibilities and response times. Publications such as the quarterly newsletter will be used to provide general information such as practical tips, out of hours contact details and performance statistics

SECTION 8

RESPONSE TIMES

- 8.1 The Association will categorise reported faults and according to the level and nature of the response required. We will endeavour to apply a consistent approach to this categorisation; however discretion will be applied where a

tenant is significantly more inconvenienced as a result of their age, health or any other relevant factor.

a. Emergency repairs

An emergency repair is defined as something that could not have been foreseen and which could cause danger to health, residents' safety, or serious damage or destruction to property. The minimum emergency service provided will be a "make safe" solution with any associated outstanding repair work following on from the original visit. Appendix 2 details the repairs that would normally be classified as emergency. Right to repair items with a one day completion time will also be placed in this category

All emergency repairs will be responded to within 4 hours from the time of the initial request for service and immediately made safe. The Association will have in place arrangements to ensure requests for emergency repairs can be received and responded to 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

b. Non emergency repairs

Where a repair is categorised as non emergency, the Association will offer a repair by appointment system where the repair (or inspection if necessary), is carried out and completed within 3 working days, (commencing with the day after the repair was reported). Right to repair items with a 3 or 7 day completion time will be placed in this category. The time response time for this category will be extended only where the tenant indicates that access will not be available until after the 3 day response

c. Extended repairs

Sometimes a non emergency repair will take longer than usual due to unique circumstances such as a part difficult to obtain, multi trades being involved in a repair or unforeseen additional works required. It is likely that a small number of these repairs will arise in a year. Extended repairs will be completed with 15 working days of the original report being made. If this is not possible, full information will be provided as to the reasons for the delay and the expected completion

8.2 The Association will apply the same process of categorisation of defect repairs required in newly built properties. We will aim to maintain effective working relationships with contractors to ensure as far as possible that works are carried out within the relevant timescales

SECTION 9

RIGHT TO REPAIR

- 9.1 The Association will adhere to the requirements of the Right to Repair scheme defined in the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001. This statutory scheme covers specified repairs known as qualifying repairs of an urgent nature up to a maximum of £350.
- 9.2 If a qualifying repair is not started within the required timescale, tenants can instruct an alternative contractor from the Associations approved list to carry out the repair and charge the landlord the cost. Details of qualifying repairs and responses are contained within appendix 2
- 9.3 When a qualifying repair is reported the Association will;
- a. State the maximum time allowed to carry out the repair and the last day of the period
 - b. Give details of a the primary and a secondary contractor
 - c. Make arrangements for access
- 9.4 The Association will establish procedures, without the requirement for submission of a claim if compensation is due, to be awarded. The level of compensation is set in legislation and is subject to a maximum of £100.
- 9.5 We acknowledge the particular requirement to advise tenants in writing annually of the provisions of the scheme and will use its newsletter as the principal method of achieving this. We will maintain records that monitor and demonstrate compliance with the Right to Repair Scheme

SECTION 10

REPAIRS INSPECTIONS

A. Pre inspections

- 10.1 As an organisation we understand the need for the repairs service to have technical expertise within our staff to undertake assessments on our properties that determine the appropriate repair action to be taken. In general terms, we will pre inspect repairs in the following circumstances;
- a. Any reported structural defect that has potential to cause harm or deteriorate rapidly
 - b. Reports of damp or mouldy conditions
 - c. Orders that have potential to cost more than £300
 - d. Fire related repairs
 - e. Potential insurance claims

- 10.2 Our staff are fully trained to determine the circumstances when a pre inspection should be requested. Full details are contained within Appendix 3.
- 10.3 Pre inspections will be carried out on an appointment basis within 3 working days of the report being made (or later if this suits the tenant). The repair will then be categorised under the standard response times. The time taken to complete repairs requiring a pre inspection will be measured from first report to completion of work. Records of post inspections are input on our IT systems

B. Post inspections

- 10.4 The Association will carry out a percentage of post inspections to completed work to ensure that we are providing a high quality service which is also value for money. The main trigger for post inspections will be linked to feedback from our repairs satisfaction survey and customer complaints. We will also have regard to invoice amounts and contractor performance.
- 10.5 Our IT systems will record the outcome of post inspections which will be presented to our maintenance contractors at twice yearly appraisal meetings.
- 10.6 Post inspections will be carried out by appointment. They will not be included as part of the time taken to complete the repair

SECTION 11

VOID PROPERTIES

- 11.1 The Association has a **Void Management Policy** which details our procedures to let void properties as quickly as possible in order to minimise loss of rental income. In order to achieve this we will adopt a systematic approach to undertaking inspections, instructing necessary repair work, monitoring progress towards completion and passing properties as fit to let
- 11.2 We will have in place a void property standard which will define, as far as practically possible, our expected standard for reletting our houses. The time taken to carry out repairs on void properties will vary on an individual property basis. Our timescales range from 3 working days, for minor repairs to 15 working days for more extensive work
- 11.3 It is our policy to instruct both a gas and electrical safety check to all void properties prior to a new tenant taking up residency

SECTION 12

ADAPTATIONS

- 12.1 We aim to maximise the availability of housing for people with diverse needs and recognise that adapting houses can have a significant positive impact on the health and well being of individuals and their households. The Association has a separate **Adaptations policy** which details how we meet the needs of tenants whose circumstances require the addition of specialised facilities or equipment.
- 12.2 Where we have installed additional or specialised equipment or facilities, these will be maintained in accordance with this policy

SECTION 13

GRAFFITI REMOVAL

- 13.1 Where graffiti appears on external surfaces, the Association will work in partnership with Glasgow City Council Clean Glasgow Campaign to ensure that our area is maintained in a good condition and graffiti is removed as soon as possible. We will keep records of all incidences reported. Where graffiti appears on internal areas, such as close walls, the Association will instruct removal by our own contractor. Where the contents are offensive, this will be categorised as an emergency repair

SECTION 14

ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT

- 14.1 The Association recognises the dangers presented by asbestos and will have detailed **asbestos management policy** and procedure documents in place. These will describe the general approach and particular steps it will take in order to meet relevant legal, health and safety, and best practice requirements.

SECTION 15

INSURANCE

- 15.1 The Association will maintain comprehensive buildings insurance for all its properties. Tenants, sharing owners and outright owners are responsible for arranging home contents insurance to cover their own possessions.
- 15.2 We will provide details to our tenants of reasonably priced home contents insurance and actively promote take up of the scheme.

SECTION 16

PLANNED & CYCLICAL MAINTENANCE

- 16.1 Planned maintenance is work which is programmed in advance, normally over a 30 year period. It will be based upon information held on stock condition and the anticipated life span of components. To supplement this information, we will use feedback from our tenant satisfaction survey and robust monitoring of our reactive repair spends as a prompt for targeting technical inspections. Analysis of our technical inspections will be used to inform our planning of future maintenance requirements. Examples of planned maintenance include kitchen and bathroom replacement, windows, roofs and heating systems
- 16.2 The Association recognises the expectations set by the specification of a Scottish Housing Quality Standard that should be complied with by 2015. We will, through our planned maintenance programme ensure this is achieved and also maintained beyond 2015
- 16.3 Cyclical maintenance is periodic work which is carried out at agreed intervals and usually involves inspection, servicing or cleaning. Examples of cyclical maintenance include annual gas appliance checks, gutter cleaning and communal painter work
- 16.4 The association will tender contracts for planned and cyclical work in accordance with the provisions of its **Procurement policy**.
- 16.5 In December every year, the Association will publish its annual maintenance programme for the following financial year containing details of planned and cyclical maintenance contracts that will be undertaken. The financial implications of this will be included within the Associations business planning process
- 16.6 As a matter of course, the association will give tenants advance notice of any cyclical and planned maintenance works due in their property. Detailed information about the nature of the work, specification, timescales and any disruption likely to be caused, shall be provided.
- 16.7 As far as possible tenants shall be given the opportunity to exercise choice in the specification of products and works. The Association shall respect the needs of tenants that are frail, vulnerable or disabled, and as far as practical, adopt flexible working practices that recognise their particular requirements
- 16.8 On completion of individual works the views of tenants involved will be sought via a tenant satisfaction survey. This information, along with any complaints received during the course of the works will be used to assess the performance of contractors and to identify possible future service improvements

SECTION 17

GAS SAFETY

- 17.1 The Association recognises the critical importance of ensuring gas heating and hot water systems in its properties are in good safe working order. It will meet all statutory duties in relation to gas safety management and associated health and safety legislation. In doing so, it will maintain effective administrative systems to ensure all gas systems in tenanted properties are subject to an annual service.
- 17.2 In fulfilling its legal responsibilities, the Association will pursue a clearly defined process in order to secure access to properties for the purpose of enabling servicing work to be carried out. Where necessary this will include taking appropriate action to gain entry
- 17.3 The Association will appoint an independent Gas Safe Registered contractor to carry out annually, on a sample basis, a quality assurance check of the principal gas safety contractor's work. This independent contractor will sample at least 5% of the services completed and report on findings and any actions taken
- 17.4 Appointments will be offered in the evenings and at weekends in order to promote maximum access

SECTION 18

ALTERATIONS TO PROPERTY

- 18.1 The Association has a procedure in place to allow tenants to apply for permission to undertake alterations or additions to their homes. As a landlord, we will not unreasonably withhold consent, but will make it conditional that any proposed alterations meet the standards of safety and workmanship required by us. We will, however, not be responsible for supervising the installation process.
- 18.2 In granting permission for alterations the Association will be satisfied that that the proposed works will not detract from the future letting of the property. In addition, it will be made clear that the tenant will accept the full installation costs as well as be liable for the any ongoing maintenance responsibilities. Where an alteration is removed, the Association will expect that the property be returned to its original condition.
- 18.3 Certain requests for alterations may also require planning consent by the local authority. It is the responsibility of the tenant to ensure that all consents are in place before proceeding with the works

- 18.4 Under the terms of the tenancy agreement, alterations or improvement work to a property (other than internal decoration) should not be carried out without the written consent of the landlord. The following provides examples of alterations;

Requesting a structural change such as removing an internal wall
Requests to fencing to replace an existing boundary
Loft renovations
Installation of external door
Installation of kitchen or bathroom suites
Installation of fires or fireplaces
Installation of additional kitchen units
Replacement of an existing gate
Replacement of internal doors or handles
Alterations to the garden space or erection of a garden shed
Adding or removing electrical sockets
Replacing light fittings or switches

SECTION 19

COMPENSATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS

- 19.1 The Association will have procedures in place to comply with legislation contained within the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 in relation to compensation for improvements. Scottish Government guidance is available on request from the Association.
- 19.2 In general terms you may qualify for compensation if you have written approval for your alteration and it is contained within a prescribed list of improvements. The tenancy must have ended but not through Right to Buy, repossession or a housing transfer with the same landlord.
- 19.3 Compensation paid cannot be lower than £100 or greater than £4000 for each improvement made
- 19.4 Claims must be made in writing to the Association within the period starting 28 days before and ending 21 days after the tenancy comes to an end

SECTION 20

ACCESS FOR REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

- 20.1 The association operates a repair by appointment system in order to minimise instances of no access being available. Where a tradesperson or repairs inspector calls at an appointed time and access is not available, the tenant will be notified by a card left at their address, by a telephone call, e mail or text

message. The onus is on the tenant to rearrange a subsequent appointment. If no new appointment is made then the original order will be cancelled

- 20.2 Where no access is available in extreme emergency or unexpected situations, such as a serious flood, we will make every effort to locate the whereabouts of the tenant. In the event of this not being possible access to the property will be gained in the presence of the police.

SECTION 21

CONTRACTOR SELECTION

- 21.1 The Association will keep an active list of approved contractors for reactive, cyclical and planned maintenance which is subject to an annual review process. Through the application process the Association will ensure that our contractors meet all relevant legal requirements, can provide satisfactory references as to the quality of their workmanship and demonstrate value for money through provision of their hourly rates.
- 21.2 Our contractors have agreed to the Associations expected standards of conduct. Details of these are contained within appendix 4.
- 21.3 Where a specialist contractor is required for a very limited period or piece of work, the procedure for appointment and information can be reduced in scope. After relevant enquiries to establish value for money, safety record and performance in similar jobs, the Senior Maintenance Officer can appoint a contractor and gain retrospective approval of the Housing Services Sub Committee to their appointment for the limited period or piece of work.
- 21.4 Contractors performance will be monitored through a formal interview process twice yearly. The review process will take into consideration, customer complaints and satisfaction, recalls to orders, feedback from staff, administration processes, post inspection, value for money and orders completed right first time.
- 21.5 Removal from the approved contractors list will be sanctioned by the Housing Services Sub Committee

SECTION 22

RIGHT TO BUY APPLICATIONS

- 22.1 Where a tenant makes an application to purchase their house under the Right to Buy Scheme, the Association will continue to meet all legal obligations by carrying out responsive repairs during the processing period.

- 22.2 The Association will not carry out planned or cyclical maintenance during this time, unless it is required to maintain the house wind and watertight and reasonably fit for human habitation, or free from any hazard.

SECTION 23

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

- 23.1 The approach outlined in this policy, working in tandem with our other housing management and maintenance policies, ensures that the Association makes a positive contribution toward the sustainability of our communities.
- 23.2 The Association acknowledges the negative impact that poorly maintained properties can have on individual households and communities and aims to ensure that these are kept to a minimum. Our **Repairs and Maintenance policy** and the associated procedures emphasise high quality responsive and planned maintenance services and a customer centred approach – the overall aim being to maintain the long term sustainability of our properties and successful occupancy of our homes

SECTION 24

PERFORMANCE MONITORING AND REPORTING

- 24.1 The Association will maintain internal information systems which are based around ensuring effective monitoring, control and reporting of its repairs and maintenance activities. Comprehensive records of all repairs and maintenance will be held with a view to demonstrating transparency in the way work has been carried out and authorised
- 24.2 The Association will monitor repairs and maintenance performance using both regulatory and local performance indicators as follows;

Regulatory performance indicators

- Average time taken to complete emergency and non emergency repairs
- Number of appointments made and adhered to
- Number properties with gas certificates that were renewed within their anniversary
- Number of repairs which were completed right first time

Local performance indicators

- Reporting on cyclical and major repairs performance
- Twice yearly contractor appraisal meetings

SECTION 25

COMPLAINTS

- 25.1 Any service user may submit a complaint, using the Associations complaints procedure if it is felt that the Association has failed to correctly apply this Repairs and Maintenance policy.

SECTION 26

TRAINING, REVIEW & DISTRIBUTION

- 26.1 The Association is committed to training and developing staff and committee members to their full potential in order to deliver a high quality of service in all areas.
- 26.2 This Policy will be approved by the Housing Services Sub Committee. It will be reviewed on a 3 yearly cycle. The review will incorporate changes in legislation, complaints, comments and feedback from customers.
- 26.3 This policy will be made available to every employee and committee member and will be made freely available to any tenant or interested party.

SECTION 27

EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

- 27.1 An Equality Impact Assessment involves assessing the likely or actual effects of policies or services to our customers in respect of their disability, age, gender, race, religion/belief, sexual orientation or gender identity to ensure equal and fair access for all. It helps us make sure the needs of people are taken into account when we develop and implement a new policy or service or when we make a change to a current policy or service.

-- END OF POLICY ---

APPENDIX 1

Whose responsibility is it?

Doors	Us	You
Door bell		✓
Door entry system	✓	
Door chain		✓
Door name plate		✓
Door spy hole	✓	
Door locks	✓	
Draught excluders	✓	
Letterbox	✓	
Communal close doors	✓	
Flat doors including glass	✓	
Keys lost		✓
Forced entry (can be recharged)		✓
Burglary	✓	
Door frames, facing & skirting	✓	
Kitchen		
Cooker (unless provided by association)		✓
Cooker socket	✓	
Filters for cooker hoods		✓
Kitchen units	✓	
Kitchen worktop	✓	
Sink bowl & drainer	✓	
White goods (unless provided by the association)		✓
Plumbing		
Blocked sink, WHB, bath or toilet	✓	
Domestic cold water supply	✓	
Internal/External pipes & drains	✓	
Downpipes & gutters	✓	
Hot water supply	✓	
Plug & chains	✓	
Tap washers	✓	
Damage to sinks or sanitary ware (can be recharged)		✓
Underground pipe burst	✓	
Heating		
Fires (where fitted by association)	✓	
Gas boilers	✓	
Radiators	✓	
Heating controls	✓	
Gas servicing	✓	
Windows		
Glass unless vandalism (can be recharged)		✓
Windows (frames, catches and handles)	✓	
Window cills	✓	
Electrical		

Extractor fans	✓	
Communal TV or satellite aerial	✓	
TV aerial socket	✓	
Individual TV or satellite aerial		✓
Light fittings (excluding table lamps etc)	✓	
Plugs (including fuses)		✓
Light bulbs & tubes		✓
Mains wired smoke alarms	✓	
Carbon monoxide detector (where installed by association)	✓	
Consumer unit	✓	
IEE safety inspections	✓	
Reset trip switch		✓
Bathroom		
Bath (unless tenant damage)	✓	
Shower (where fitted by association)	✓	
Shower curtains		✓
Toilet seat (unless wear and tear)		✓
W.C and wash hand basin (unless tenant damage)	✓	
Structure		
Roofs (including roof anchor inspection)	✓	
Ceilings	✓	
Floors	✓	
Roughcast & plastering	✓	
Stairs	✓	
Handrails	✓	
Walls (including plaster repairs)	✓	
Wood cladding	✓	
Grass cutting of individual gardens & common areas	✓	
Close cleaning	✓	
Tenants garden features and flowerbed maintenance		✓
Loft insulation	✓	
Cavity wall insulation	✓	
Tenants own security lighting		✓
Other		
Bin stores	✓	
Clothes poles	✓	
Fencing	✓	
Internal decoration		✓
External decoration	✓	
Pest infestation*	✓	✓
Carpets and personal belongings		✓
Insurance		
Home contents insurance		✓
Building insurance	✓	

*We may offer advice on eradication of common household insect infestation before dispatching a specialist contractor

APPENDIX 2

Repair Responses

Repair description	Emergency 4 hour response	Repair by appointment within 3 working days	Additional Comments
Plumbing			
Blocked or leaking foul drains, soil stacks, or toilets where there is no other toilet in the house	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Blocked sink, bath or drain	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Loss of water supply	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Significant leaks or flooding from water or heating pipes, tanks or cisterns	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Toilet not flushing where there is no other toilet in the house	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Partial loss of water supply		✓	Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 3 working days
Dripping tap		✓	
Leaking tap when used		✓	
Loose tap		✓	
Leaking overflow		✓	
Broken flush handle		✓	
Shower repair		✓	
Repair to sanitary ware components		✓	
Gas and central heating			
Blocked flue to open fire or boiler	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Loss or partial loss of gas supply	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal

			maximum response 1 working day
Loss or partial loss of space or water heating where there is no alternative heating available	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Leaking radiator		✓	
Radiator valves repair		✓	
Repair to heating controls		✓	
Electrical			
Loss of electric power	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Unsafe power or lighting socket or electrical fitting	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Partial loss of electric supply		✓	Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 3 working days
Mechanical extractor fan in internal kitchen or bathroom not working		✓	Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 7 working days
Faulty light fittings, sockets or aerial sockets		✓	
Electrical repair to shower		✓	
Repair to smoke alarm or carbon monoxide detector		✓	
Repair to cable trunking		✓	
Joiner			
Insecure external window, door or lock	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
Loose or detached banister or handrail		✓	Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 3 working days
Unsafe timber flooring or stair treads		✓	Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 3 working days
Gain access to property	✓		
Repair to internal door, handles, door frames or facings		✓	

Skirting board repair		✓	
Repair to internal window and all associated ironmongery		✓	
Repair to kitchen units and worktops		✓	
Board up broken window	✓		
Glazier			
Measure double glazed unit		✓	
Reglaze broken pane			Extended repair 15 days response as custom made
External/Common areas			
Unsafe access path or step	✓		Qualifying Right to Repair – legal maximum response 1 working day
No TV reception		✓	
No close lighting at all	✓		Carried out by Glasgow City Council
Partial close lighting		✓	
Repair to door entry system		✓	
Make safe roof damage after storm	✓		
Renew or replace cracked roof tiles or damaged flashing			Extended repair 15 days response as special order
Clothes pole or drier repair		✓	
Rain penetration		✓	
Repair to external building fabric including roughcast		✓	
Repair to gutters or downpipes		✓	
Repair pointing		✓	
Repair to fencing (timber)		✓	
Repair to fencing (metal)			Extended repair to 15 days if blacksmith required

APPENDIX 3

Guide to when a pre inspection is required

External	Yes	No
Structural damage	✓	
Fascias, soffits or bargeboards	✓	
Chimneys	✓	
Pointing and minor brickwork	✓	
Brick wall replacement or rebuild	✓	
Roofing tiles (broken, cracked or missing)		✓
Concrete canopies	✓	
Coping stones	✓	
Uneven pathways	✓	
Clothes driers/poles		✓
Fence replacement	✓	
Windows		
Window repairs		✓
Window replacements	✓	
Glazing		✓
Window ironmongery		✓
Draughty windows	✓	
Doors		
Door entry systems		✓
Door frame replacement	✓	
External door replacement	✓	
Internal door replacement	✓	
Replacement ironmongery		✓
Locks and hinges		✓
Door thresholds		✓
Draughty door	✓	
Ease and adjust		✓
Joinery		
Skirting		✓
Floorboards		✓
Joists and stairs		✓
Bannisters and handrail		✓
Electrical		
Sockets and light fittings		✓
Security lights		✓
Smoke alarms		✓
Carbon monoxide detectors		✓
Consumer unit faults		✓
Heating		

Loss of heating or water		✓
Radiator leaks		✓
Heating controls		✓
Wall finishes		
Floor or wall tile replacement - small (where installed by association)		✓
Floor or wall tile replacement - large (where installed by association)	✓	
Plaster patching small		✓
Plaster patching large	✓	
Plaster over artex	✓	
Damp proof failure	✓	
Dampness mould growth or condensation	✓	
Plumbing		
Minor leaks		✓
Replacement taps		✓
Wash hand basin, WC or bath renewal	✓	
Silicone sealant		✓
Blockages to drains or pipes		✓
Shower repairs		✓
General		
Orders expected to be over £300 in value	✓	
Where insufficient information is provided to diagnose fault	✓	
Specific tenant request	✓	

APPENDIX 4

Code of conduct for approved contractors

The Association require contractors to;	
1.	Introduce themselves to tenants/staff and show proof of identity
2.	Explain the nature and purpose of the visit
3.	Behave in a polite and courteous manner at all times
4.	Keep the tenants home secure and take care of the tenants property and possessions protecting them from dust, paint etc while carrying out works
5.	Minimise disruption and mess within the tenants home
6.	Clear all rubbish or debris from the garden or other areas outside the property resulting from any external works carried out
7.	Keep safe all materials and equipment used on site and avoid danger to tenants and visitors
8.	Reconnect and test services such as electricity, water and gas at the end of each working day
9.	Recompense tenants for any gas or electricity used
10.	Refrain from smoking, working under the influence of alcohol and drugs, using bad language, playing music and or using the tenants facilities without permission
11.	Advise the Association of tenants complaints or concerns
12.	Comply with confidentiality guidelines
13.	Comply with health and safety legislation and relevant codes of practice
14.	Comply with equal opportunities and good practice