# Trivallis – Compliance with Regulatory Standards Summary Assessment – June 2023

Regulatory Standard	Overall Assessment	Rationale
<b>RS1</b> - the organisation has effective strategic leadership and governance arrangements which enable it to achieve its purpose and objectives.	Partially meets	5 green and 10 amber points. Work to be done around leadership development and EDI
<b>RS2</b> - robust risk management and assurance arrangements are in place.	Meets	4 green
<b>RS3</b> - high quality services are delivered to tenants.	Meets	10 green and 2 amber points
<b>RS4</b> - tenants are empowered and supported to influence the design and delivery of services.	Partially meets	1 red action, 5 amber actions, 4 green.  Work to be done on embedding tenant involvement strategically, values to be updated, learning from complaints and tenant data.
<b>RS5</b> - rents and service charges are affordable for current and future tenants	Meets	1 green
<b>RS6</b> - the organisation has a strategic approach to value for money which informs all its plans and activities.	Meets	1 green, 1 amber. Proposal is to amend amber action to green following the discussion around value for tenant at June Assurance committee
<b>RS7</b> - financial planning and management is robust and effective	Meets	6 green
RS8 - assets and liabilities are well managed	Meets	9 green, 2 amber points
RS9 - the organisation provides high quality accommodation	Meets	4 green, 2 amber. Work will continue regarding damp and mould and Cardiff Bay.

### **RS1 Leadership and Governance**

Ref	Regulatory Standard	Narrative	Evidence	Compliance with Standard	Improvement Plan	Timeframe
RS1 THE ORGANISATIO N HAS EFFECTIVE STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMEN TS WHICH ENABLE IT TO ACHIEVE ITS PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES	Has a strategy which reflects its vision, culture and values and sets out how the organisation will achieve its core purpose as a social landlord	At its meeting in March 2023, the Board adopted a renewed corporate strategy to run for one year. The strategy is directly aligned to its core purpose as a social landlord having three pillars - being a good landlord, being a good employer, and supporting tenants and staff through the cost-of-living crisis.	Report to board 09 March 2023		The Board will consider its longer-term strategy and corporate plan at its away day in July 2023. This strategy will be built on the work done by tenants and staff to define Trivallis' future as a community mutual	Q2 2023 onwards for implementati on in April 2024
		The Leadership Development programme has commenced with the Board, Executive team, Corporate Directors and Heads of Service participating in the programme.	Leadership and Culture Report to People Committee on Executive leadership element 09.05.2023.		Deliver the leadership programme and embed change  Board element of the programme commences at July 2023 Board awayday.	Jan 2024
		A mini pulse survey was conducted on the 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2022. 314 staff completed the survey which equates to 75% of the workforce.	Pulse Survey Report (Appendix 2) to People Committee 26.01.2023.		An ongoing action plan for Pulse that contains quick wins and medium-term actions are being	Nov 2023

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					delivered and monitored by ELT.	
	Complies with its own governing documents and meets the requirements of an appropriate Code of Governance	Trivallis complies with its governing documents and receives an annual report on compliance as part of its annual report and accounts.  The Board has adopted CHC's Code of Governance. Assurance Committee received a report on compliance with the Code at its meeting on 17 May 2023 as part of its end of year compliance reporting.  Annual Board and Committee effectiveness reviews are conducted which include compliance with terms of reference	Annual report to Board on compliance Board decision to adopt the CHC Code of Governance Board report on adopting the Code November 2023. Board and Committee effectiveness reports Q1/2 2023 Assurance Committee report on compliance with the Code May 2023		The Board will review its governing documents in 2023 and annually after that as part of its continuous improvement approach to governance	Q2 2023 as part of end of year assurance work
	Sets and delivers evidence-based commitments across all areas of its business in relation to equality, diversity and inclusion (including anti-racism and tackling hate crime) reflecting the diversity of the communities it works in and with.	EDI Policy is in place but requires review.	Board approved Policy		The EDI policy will be reviewed to incorporate recommendations from the Inclusive Employer standard review and the review of the QED action plan.	Autumn 2023

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					This will include an EDI strategy, policy and action plan which will encompass recommendations from the Inclusive Employer standard review, QED action plan review, the requirements of the Anti – racist Wales Action Plan and LBBTQ	
		Undertook Inclusive Employer Standard to support us to understand where we currently are as an employer and provide guidance on further steps we can take. We received a Committed ranking.  Equality Diversity and Inclusivity report to People Committee for 21/22	Inclusive Employer Report  People Committee Reports Gender Pay Gap		Action Plan Autumn 2023 Review report and suggested actions which will inform overall EDI action plan which will be developed by autumn 2023. To develop further reporting to inform our	Autumn 2023 Autumn 2023
			report presented to People committee		understanding of the experience of	

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					potential	
					applicant and	
					employees who	
					have protected	
					characteristics.	
					To review our	
					recruitment	
					practices to	
					ensure that they	
					are inclusive,	
					develop our	
					recruitment	
					training to	
					include.	
		Achieved Disability Confident 1 status	Copy of certificate		Further work	January 2024
					will be untaken	
					this year to	
					work towards	
					Disability	
					Confident	
					status 2.	
		Respect Group in place. Trivallis has a staff working	Revised TOR approved		The Respect	
		group called 'Respect' whose role is to champion	by SLT 15/11/2022.		group will	
		equality, diversity and inclusion issues across the	, , ,		continue to meet	
		organisation. The Respect group meet regularly.			regularly and will	
					be consulted on	
					the development	
					of our EDI action	
					plan.	
					The Respect	
					group members	
					have had regular	
					training	

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					throughout the year to support them in their Championing role.	
		Equality Impact assessment training has been provided for key staff	Course Programme		Respect Group members and our CD's and Heads of service have had Equality Impact Training in 2023 and delivered by an external provider. The Equality Impact Assessment process is currently under review.	June 2023
		Community Safety Policy in place which is our policy and procedure for tackling anti -social behaviours this includes hate crime.	Community Safety Policy 2023-2025			
	Has a diverse Board, reflecting the communities the RSL works in and with, and has the skills and	The Board undertakes regular skills audits  The 2022/23 round of Board recruitment resulted in a better gender split but is less diverse in terms of other equality strands	Board reports on skills gaps and succession planning Board reports on recruitment.		A further skills audit is included in the board and committee effectiveness work in Q1/2	Q3 2023

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	knowledge required to				2023. This will	
	be effective.				inform a further	
					round of	
					recruitment in autumn 2023	
					following the	
					development of	
					Trivallis' future	
					strategic	
					direction.	
					The recruitment	
					will actively aim	
					to improve	
					diversity on the	
					Board. We are	
					engaging with	
					suitable	
					programmes	
					aimed at	
					supporting	
					underrepresente	
					d groups to gain	
	Makes logical decisions	Board adopted a revised risk management policy in	Risk management		Board positions Board will revisit	Initial
	based on clear, good	November 2022 and has set its risk appetite which	report to Board		its risk appetite	improvemen
	quality information	informs its decision making.	November 2022		and risk tolerance	ts end of
	which includes	informs its decision making.	risk appetite work		at the awayday in	quarter 1
	assessment of risk and,	Tenant views inform key decisions that impact	with Board		July 2023.	23/24.
	where appropriate, the	tenants, for example changes to housing policies			July 2020.	
	views of tenants	arising from the Rented Homes Act, rent policies,	Rent increase reports		Board	Subsequent
		rent increases. Where possible tenant	to Board January 2023		acknowledges	development
		engagement/involvement/consultation is carried	,		that, whilst	will await the
		out.	Tenant involvement		tenant	completion
			report to TSC May		involvement in	of our
		Tenant involvement activity is regularly reported to	2023		service	Corporate
		the tenant services committee. The chair of the			improvement is	

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		tenant action panel provides a regular update to the committee.	Assurance Committee Risk Report. 17.05.2023 meeting.		well established, tenant engagement with Board and its committees could be better and would improve governance. TAP has also highlighted the need for this. Initial proposals have been circulated with a view to being implemented during first quarter 23/24. The revised corporate strategy, which will then include our approach to being a community mutual and how this will flow into community engagement	Strategy so Q3 onwards
	Enables and supports tenants to influence strategic decision making.	Trivallis has three tier structure for involvement that allows strategic, tactical and operational involvement in key business decisions. As part of this work, we have increased participation significantly during 2022/23	Tenant Services Report on Involvement 11.05.23 Budget Report		Whilst Trivallis has robust mechanisms for engaging and involving tenants, hearing the tenant voice at	

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	Complies with all relevant legislation, regulatory requirements and statutory guidance and communicates in a timely manner with the regulator, including on material issues that relate to actual or potential noncompliance.	The Board supported by the Assurance Committee reviews compliance with regulatory requirements, statutory requirements, and legislation The Company Secretary keeps all statutory registers and filings up to date and ensures compliance with legal requirements. Trivallis has a policy framework that is up to date and complies with legislation. Legal updates are circulated to key individuals across Trivallis who are required to ensure that policies reflect current legislation Updates from Welsh Government are circulated to	Assurance Committee reports Annual report to Board on compliance Board and Committee reports on updated policies		Board and Committee level is less well developed. For review in 2023 See above for action plan a refresh of the policy framework is being undertaken in 2023 A further review of legislation is underway utilising the Anthony Collins legal updates Additional work	Q2 2023 onwards
		relevant staff Board and Committee members have access to legal and policy updates			is planned to update Trivallis' approach to the Welsh language including the development of a robust Welsh language scheme	

#### **RS2** Risk and Assurance

Ref	Regulatory Standard	Narrative	Evidence	Compliance with Standard	Improvemen t Plan	Timeframe
RS2	Has an effective	Board adopted a revised risk management	Board and AC reports on		As part of its	Q3 to Q4
	framework for risk	policy in November 2022.	risk .		continuous	2023
ROBUST RISK	management,				improvement	
MANAGEMENT	internal controls and	Assurance Committee has risk update reports	Board reports on		approach,	
AND ASSURANCE	assurance that	at every meeting.	business plan and stress		Board will	
ARRANGEMENTS ARE IN PLACE	enables it to		testing		review its	
ARE IN PLACE	successfully identify	A Board approved strategic risk register (SRR)			approach to	
	and manage existing	is maintained that is presented quarterly to			risk and	
	and emerging risks	Assurance Committee who bring any areas of			assurance	
	which threaten	concern to the Board's attention. Board			including its	
	delivery of its	review the SRR twice a year.			risk appetite	
	strategy or				at the away	
	compliance with	The Executive Leadership Team (ELT) review			day in July.	
	legislative or	risk at every meeting and receive a formal risk				
	regulatory	report quarterly.			This will be	
	requirements.	Operational risk registers are maintained.			built into the	
					performance	
		All risk registers are kept on the risk			framework,	
		management system which allocates			so we are	
		ownership and gives a dynamic view of risk			clear on the	
		across the organisation. The system is			links	
		managed by the Risk Manager.			between risk,	
					tolerance,	
		Assurance Committee has agreed a Board			and	
		assurance framework which covers regulatory,			performance.	
		legal, governance, financial and internal				
		controls compliance.			The risk	
					appetite	

	Board has adopted a 30-year business plan		work will also
	that is regularly subjected to multi variant		dovetail into
	stress testing. There is a suite of mitigations in		the revised
	place to address the results of stress testing.		corporate
			strategy to
			ensure that
			the approach
			and appetite
			for risk
			reflects
			strategic
			direction.
			The 23/24
			business plan
			will be
			finalised for
			approval in
			July 2023 and
			this will be
			subject to
			stress testing
			with
			appropriate
			mitigations
			proposed.
Does not put social	Board has a robust approach to health and	Board and committee	The Assets
housing assets or	safety both as a landlord and an employer. It	reports on H&S, landlord	and Liabilities
tenants at undue	receives regular Health & Safety and landlord	compliance and Assets &	register will
risk.	compliance reports. It is supported in this by	Liabilities	form part of
	all its Committees who provide deeper	Internal audit reports	the stress
	scrutiny of and assurance on areas relevant to		testing
	their terms of reference.		exercise and
			recovery
	There is an up-to-date, and well managed		plans to
	Assets and Liabilities Register.		ensure it

	Internal audits are used to provide additional assurance		keep it relevant a	
Maintains accessible and up-to-date business continuity, contingency and disaster recovery plans.	There are robust business continuity and disaster recovery plans which are maintained and monitored. They are exercised regularly.  Internal audits have been carried out on both. Assurance Committee receives reports on both.	Plans Exercise reports Internal audits Assurance Committee reports		

### **RS3 High Quality Services**

Ref	Regulatory Standard	Narrative	Evidence	Compliance with Standard	Improvement Plan	Timeframe
RS3 HIGH QUALITY SERVICES ARE DELIVERED TO TENANTS	Keeps tenants safe in their homes and promptly identifies and corrects any under- performance or non-compliance on landlord health and safety matters.	Trivallis has an overarching policy that outlines our commitment to Landlord Health and Safety and is owned by Board and gives clarity on responsibilities.  Trivallis has high levels of statutory and nonstatutory compliance with all areas of Landlord Health and Safety scrutinised by staff (H&S Forum), management and Board	Health & Safety Forum Meeting Minutes 19.10.2022/14.12.2022/ 19.01.2023/15.03.2023.  Senior Leadership Team Health & Safety Reports  Board Health & Safety Reports 23.05.2023 meeting which includes benchmarking information  Assurance Committee Reports on Health and		As part of our Renting Homes Act obligations, we will deliver the programme of CO alarms.	Finished by Jan 2024
		We have worked collaboratively across the business to gain access to homes to deal with backlogs in electrical testing and are achieving good levels of performance and compliance	Board Health & Safety Report		Deliver the objectives of our new Tenant Liaison	March 2024

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			Tenant Services Performance Report (Appendix 1) 11.05.2023 meeting.		Team to take an increasingly supportive role for access issues	
		We have managed H&S issues at our blocks in Cardiff Bay through the retrofitting of sprinklers and alarms systems.	Cardiff Bay Updates Assets & Development Committee 22.12.22/07.02.2023		Deliver the construction solution to Cardiff Bay properties	Start works Summer 2023
	Deliver Services that meet the diverse needs of our tenants	We have a 100% nominations agreement with RCTCBC to ensure we meet the needs of our community and deliver in line with the public sector equalities duty.  All Local Lettings Policies are approved by RCTCBC in line with our Partnership Agreement	RCTCBC Transfer Agreement		Review the sustainability of communities in partnership with the Common Housing Register Partnership	November 2023 – subject to RCT CBC Capacity
		Supporting development with adapted and specialist housing is one of our key areas of focus. We build adapted and specialist homes to meet the needs of our communities.	Board Update on Elm Road, Ilan Avenue and Tonyrefail EDT 28.01.2020 Board 05.11.2020 EDT 22.12.2021 Assets and Development Committee 06.04.2023.		We are currently reviewing our land through an engagement agreement with ASBRI.  As part of our Homes Strategy our	September 2023 March 2024

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					approach to adapted homes will be reviewed	
		<ul> <li>We deliver a range of support programmes to meet need:         <ul> <li>Safe – floating support externally funded across tenures.</li> <li>Steps – internally funded</li> <li>Gramo – Pre tenancy support across tenures</li> <li>MAT – specialist Money Advice</li> <li>Magpie – Hoarding support service across tenures</li> <li>Wisdom – serious offender housing</li> <li>Housing First – RCT Pilot</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	ELT Updates on support services  RCTCBC contracts		Deliver support for self-payers outlined in our rent setting Equality Impact assessment.  We plan to map our partnerships with other support providers to meet the needs of vulnerable	March 2024
		We continue to achieve the EROSH standards against the Code of Practice for Sheltered Housing and Support Services in 2022. We were awarded "Outstanding" from our latest annual review.	EROSH Letter		groups.  To ensure our schemes are fit for the future and sustainable we will conduct a review of sheltered	December 2023

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					costs in 2023/24	
		We were the first landlord in Wales to achieve the DASPA domestic abuse accreditation.	DASPA Award			
		We use tenant profiling information to make strategic business decisions.	Mitchell Court Presentation and Decision Paper Assets and Development Committee 22.12.2022.		Renew our profiling data post Covid to ensure we have up to date information.	Start Summer 2023
		We have 23 Sheltered Schemes, 22 are accredited to the RNIB Visibly Better standards Platinum – 8 Gold - 14	RNIB Sheltered Scheme Assessments			
		Trivallis supports the Alzheimer's Society's <u>Dementia Friends</u> programme through having Dementia Friends Ambassadors trained to deliver information sessions to tenants and staff.				
	Achieves and maintains high levels of tenant satisfaction with services.	We have a clear understanding of satisfaction levels that has been scrutinised by Board Members and have developed plans to deal with key areas of focus.	Tenant Services Committee Deep Dive into Tenant Satisfaction (STAR Survey results) Board and committee KPI reports Tenant Services Committee Workstream		Deliver the objectives and outcomes outlined in our strategic workstreams.	March 2024  Start data capture May 2023
			Update. 26.02.2023 Meeting.		new programme of satisfaction surveys to	2023

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					monitor	
					impacts.	
		Board and Senior Leadership have a clear plan	Tenant Services		Deliver the	September
		to improve satisfaction linked to Key	Committee Workstream		objectives of	2023 Tenant
		Performance Indicators that are scrutinised by	Update		the	Survey Data
		Executive and Board.	11.05.2023 meeting.		"Improving	
					Satisfaction"	
			Tenant Services		workstream.	
			Performance Report			
			11.05.2023 meeting.			
			Board KPI reports			
	Makes landlord	We publish our performance to all our tenants	Tenant Magazines		We are	Project
	performance	biannually through our magazine on our			developing Key	complete
	information	website and in our annual reporting.	Annual financial		Performance	and new
	available to tenants.		statements		Indicators	data in
					chosen by	place June
					tenants for	2023
					Neighbourhood	
					s. We are now	
					developing KPIs	
					for all other	
					areas of service	
					that are tenant	
					led.	

A key driver for satisfaction is improving	Tenants Services Update	We have	Plan to be
engagement and communications. During	on Roadshows.	developed a	agreed by
2022/23 we improved this provision through	Tenant Services	communication	Tenant
our roadshow events, improvements to our	Committee 21.02.2023	plan for	Services
magazine and key documents around damp		transactional	Committee
and mould.	Risk Register Board	services that will	September
	Report.	support the	2023
	Assurance Committee	improvement in	
	01.03.2023	service delivery	
		to tenants. This	
	Damp and Mould Leaflet	plan in the	
		medium term	
		will include the	
		development of	
		a portal and	
		better	
		utilisations of	
		text reminders.	

### **RS4 Tenant Engagement**

Ref	Regulatory Standard	Narrative	Evidence	Compliance with Standard	Improvement Plan	Timeframe
RS4	Creates a culture which	We are building a new values and culture	Board Values Workshop		Our Staff	New Purpose
TENANTS	values and promotes	framework across the business and a key	Presentation		Conference in	and Vision
ARE	tenant involvement.	theme and priority for the Board, staff and			May 2023 will	Agreed by
<b>EMPOWERED</b>		tenants is the role of tenants in decision	Staff Workshop		enable staff to	Board
AND		making.	Presentation		contribute to	Autumn
SUPPORTED					the	2023
ТО			TAP Workshop on Values		development	
INFLUENCE			and Culture		of a new suite	
THE DESIGN					of values	
AND			Proposal for		which support	
DELIVERY OF			improvement submitted		our role as a	
SERVICES			to Tenant Services		community	
			Commitee		mutual.	
					<b>T</b> h	
					These will	
					then progress	
					to a Board	
					awayday in	
					July.	
					Improvement	
					Proposal	
					submitted to	
					Tenant	
					Services	
					Committee	
	Enables tenants to	Involvement structure co designed with	Tenant Services			
	understand the	tenants based on three levels to ensure	Committee Update report			
	organisation's approach		on Customer Involvement			

to tenant involvement,	tenants can engage on their terms and around	(old report on new		
how they can get	their ability to commit time.	structures)		
involved and how the	,	30.112021/11.05.2023		
organisation will listen		,		
to and act on tenants'		Tenant Involvement		
feedback an learns		Strategy		
from complaints.		Tenant Services		
		Committee 28.06.2022.		
		Tenant Magazine		
		publicising new structures		
-	Involvement KPIs set and monitored by our	Tenant Services Report on	Demonstrate	October
	Tenant Services Committee.	Involvement	the strategic	2023
	We produce a "you said we did" article to	11.05.2023 meeting.	impact of	2023
	demonstrate impact	11.03.2023 meeting.	involvement	
	demonstrate impact	Valleys Magazine	and agree	
		valicy 3 iviagazine	measures	
			with tenants	
			and Board	
	A specific group has been set up to monitor	Tenant Services Report on	Develop a	January 2024
	and improve our response to complaints.	Customer Involvement	systematic	January 2024
	and improve our response to complaints.	report to Tenant Services	approach to	
		Committee.	lessons	
		11.05.2023 meeting.	learned from	
		11.03.2023 Meeting.	complaints	
Provides opportunities	Involvement structure co designed with	Tenant Services	Strengthen	New
for tenants to be	tenants based on three levels to ensure	Committee reports on	the link	approach to
involved.	tenants can engage on their terms and around	Customer Involvement	between	be presented
can demonstrate that				to Board by
tenants are satisfied	their ability to commit time.	01.03.2022 meeting.	tenant involvement	November
with them and can			and Board and	2023
				2023
demonstrate the			Committee	
			structures	

difference involvements is making.	We capture satisfaction on involvement options through a biannual tenants' survey	Tenant Services Committee Reports - Deep Dive into Tenant Satisfaction 26.02.2023 meeting  Tenant Services Committee Reports on Customer Involvement 21.02.2023/11.05.2023	Publicise the impact of involvement through our media channels.	Throughout 2023/24 and ongoing
	We publish a "you said we did" section in our magazine outlining the impact of involvement	Valleys Magazine Issues.	Develop our measurement of "impact" in particular the impact on decision making at a strategic level.	September 2023
	We promoted our involvement options using a range of methods in 2022/23. These included:	Copy of social media links  Magazine distribution  Tenant Services Committee report on Estate Roadshows 21.02.2023	Deliver programme of community events to engage more tenants.	Throughout 2023/24 and ongoing
Can demonstrate diverse tenant views and expectations inform the development and review of housing at related services, and the response to any under-performance.	involved tenants by 151% as well as the diversity of people who are involved in all levels.	Update on Engaged Tenants report to Tenant Services Committee 21 February 2023.	The diversity of tenants is improving but will continue to be an area of focus (in particular young tenants and the	Deliver specific young persons' involvement programme Summer 2023

Tenant involvement is at the heart of service improvement and change including:  Rent setting  Budget setting and priorities  Our new service model of frontline service  The development of a new direction and purpose and what it means to be a community mutual	Board Report on Rent Setting. 12.01.2023  Board Budget Report. 09.02.2023  Tenant Services Committee reports on Tenant Involvement. 21.02.2023/11.05.2023  Tenant Services Committee presentation on Your Voice Your Trivallis 11.05.2023 meeting	children living in our homes). Projects are planned to specifically address this issue during 2023/24.  Tenant involvement activity embedded into strategic decisions by Board and Committee. This will be carried out by aligning work programmes to ensure the tenant voice is heard more strongly and having clear impact measures in place.	August 2023
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## **RS5 Rents and Service Charges**

RS5	Ensures all applicable	There is a robust and compliant rents policy and	Reports to Board and ELT.	Going forward the	Autumn
	rules and statutory	procedures framework in place that governs	Last rent setting report	impact of the rent	2023
RENTS AND	guidance (including	how rents are set and applied.	January 2023.	policy will be	
SERVICE	the current rent			monitored to	
<b>CHARGES ARE</b>	agreement) are	The Board annually considers rent setting, its		understand the	
AFFORDABLE	complied with.	value for money and links into areas for		correlation between	
FOR CURRENT		investment as part of its wider budget		outcomes and	
AND FUTURE		considerations.		issues identified	
TENANTS				during the EIA	
		Our rent policy includes an equality impact		which will allow us	
		assessment to ensure support is targeted at the		to have continuous	
		right places		learning and a	
				feedback loop to	
		We comply with all applicable rules and		the rent policy.	
		statutory guidance on rents.			
				A further review of	
				our rent policy is	
				scheduled for late	
				2023 as part of our	
				value for tenant	
				workstream.	

### **RS6 Value for Money**

Ref	Regulatory Standard	Narrative	Evidence	Complianc e with Standard	Improvement Plan	Timeframe
RS6  THE ORGANISATIO N HAS A STRATEGIC APPROACH TO VALUE FOR MONEY WHICH INFORMS ALL ITS PLANS AND ACTIVITIES	Determines its strategic approach to value for money, ensuring the approach relates to its social purpose, and makes strategic and operational decisions in line with it.	A value for tenants approach has been developed which includes the more traditional value for money elements including efficiency, effectiveness and cost savings. This has a dedicated workstream with colleagues from across the organisation along with input from tenants. It which engages with all parts of the business to identify areas of focus and to develop metrics.  A PID is in place outlining the purpose and role of the group.  The 2023/24 budget has identified efficiencies of £300k to be achieved as a starting point. Opportunities to active this have been identified and will be monitored through regular management accounting and budget monitoring. Any savings generated will be reinvested in line with our strategic objectives.	Workstream reports  ELT reports  Board reports  Meetings with corporate directors and head of service.  Meetings with involved tenants.		A list of proposed initiatives has been drawn up. These are now being assessed and prioritised.	Underway and on- going

Can demonstrate to	Workshops have been held with staff and	Annual report and	We intend to	November
stakeholders,	tenants by the workstream outlining key areas	accounts	develop our	2023
including tenants,	of opportunity. More granular plans are now		reporting to both	
that it achieves value	being developed for each area outlining value	Reports to tenants	staff and tenants on	
for money in	efficiencies.		value for money	
delivering its strategy			achievements.	
and services.	Our procurement policy ensures we procure our			
	services in the most efficient and effective		We are currently	
	manner using methodologies such as most		recruiting into a	
	economically advantageous tender (MEAT),		Head of	
	ensuring social value is captured on our larger		Procurement who	
	contracts. Board have oversight of all significant		will work to evolve	
	contracts awarded.		our strategy and the	
			linkages into VFM.	
	Financial statements include comparative			
	performance against other Welsh RSL's			
	The Board annual performance report includes			
	comparators to our peer groups and			
	commentary, so we understand why we are			
	different.			
	NA/a taka mantin a magnihku Hayaananki siylaa			
	We take part in a monthly Housemark pulse			
	report which gives us up to date information			

## **RS7 Financial Planning**

				with Standard		
DC7 C	Cata financial plans	There is a 20 year business plan and an angual	Annual Dudget	Standard	The Deard will recet	02.2022
	Sets financial plans	There is a 30-year business plan and an annual	Annual Budget		The Board will reset	Q2 2023
	which enable it to	budget is set which supports the long-term	B. Carrier II.		its future strategic	onwards
	deliver its strategy	plan. The plan is aligned to the corporate	Business plan.		direction at its away	
	and achieve its social	strategy and to the operational plans that			day in July. This will	
l .	purpose, and there is	support the strategy.	Board minutes		result in a renewed	
	appropriate				corporate strategy	
	reporting to the	Board set both the business plan and corporate	Corporate plan		against which the	
	Board against these	strategy, approve the annual budget and receive			business plan and	
EFFECTIVE p	plans.	quarterly reports on financial performance	Board reports on budget		future budget setting	
		including management accounts and treasury.	setting and rent setting.		will need to be	
		The budget has been used to address issues			tested.	
		included in the corporate plan including	Quarterly board reports			
		addressing the cost of living crisis for both	with financial information		The Value for Tenant	
		tenants and colleagues.	including management		workstream will	On-going
			accounts and		continue to identify	
		In the year the board undertook workshops	demonstrating VfM		efficiency savings to	
		with consultancy DTP who reviewed the			generate further	
		business plan and undertook stress testing,			capacity for re-	
		giving assurance to Board on the assumptions			investment.	
		used, capacity and long term viability.				
Is	Is financially viable in	There is a 30-year business plan, and an annual	Year-end financial		A review of existing	Q2 2023
t	the short, medium	budget is set which supports the long-term	statements		funding	onwards
a	and longer-term, and	plan. The plan is closely aligned to the			arrangements is	
	maintains sufficient	corporate strategy and to the operational plans	Business plan		scheduled for 2023.	
f	funding and liquidity	that support the strategy.	•			
	to support this.	The Board has approved a Treasury	Corporate strategy			
		Management Strategy and Policy which set out	Board reports on budget			
		its approach to funding and liquidity. Specialist	setting and rent setting			
		treasury advisors support treasury activities.	<b>5</b> 11111 <b>5</b>			
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Ref	Regulatory Standard	Narrative	Evidence	Compliance with Standard	Improvement Plan	Timeframe
		The going concern assessment included in the year-end financial statements demonstrates our capacity to absorb stresses. This is reviewed and signed off by external auditors.	Quarterly board reports with financial information including management accounts and treasury information demonstrating VfM  Treasury Policy  Treasury Strategy			
	Monitors, reports on and complies with all covenants it has agreed with funders.	The Executive Leadership Team monitor and approve the financial management reports, ahead of submission to Board and subsequently funders. A key element within every management report is the calculation of the covenant to ensure, demonstrate and evidence compliance.	Annual Budget  Business plan  Corporate strategy  Quarterly board reports with financial information including management accounts, treasury and covenant compliance		A review of existing funding arrangements is scheduled for 2023	Q2 2023 onwards
	Identifies and effectively manages risks to the delivery of financial plans including appropriate stress testing, scenario planning and use of internal thresholds.	Following development of the 30-year Business Plan, the Board undertook robust stress testing with appropriate scenario planning and the development of effective mitigation strategies.  For the planning cycle 2023/24, external financial consultants (DTP) have been utilised to ensure effective and robust planning and stress testing is in place.	Business plan stress testing Board reports Risk Register		Continue training for finance team to ensure effective Business Planning skills (BRIXX) exist internally, to reduce reliance upon external consultancy.	Q3, 2023
						Quarterly

Ref	Regulatory Standard	Narrative	Evidence	Compliance with Standard	Improvement Plan	Timeframe
		Financial viability is included at as strategic area of the Boards risk register providing clear business wide visibility.			Regular review and update of Financial Viability Risk Register	
	Has an effective treasury management strategy and associated processes.	The Board has approved a treasury management strategy and policy and is supported by independent specialist treasury advisors (Centrus) in its approach to treasury management.	Policy and Board reports  Treasury Management Strategy Treasury Management Policy		A review of existing funding arrangements is scheduled for 2023	Q2 2023 onwards

#### **RS8 Assets and Liabilities**

Ref	Regulatory Standard	Narrative	Evidence	Complian ce with Standard	Improvement Plan	Timeframe
RS8	Has an accurate and	Trivallis has a business wide up to date Assets	Assets and Liability Policy.			
ASSETS AND	up to date	and Liabilities Register that has clear	Board 29.03.2022.			
LIABILITIES	understanding of its	responsibilities (set out in our policy) and is				
ARE WELL	assets and liabilities.	Board Assured.	Assurance Committee			
MANAGED			Assets and Liabilities			
			annual report. Assurance			
			Committee 01.03.2023.			
	Maximises the use of	Trivallis has ensured the best use of its high-cost	Assets and Development		Ensure identified	31/07/23
	assets to achieve its	void stock through the provision of Transitional	Committee Funded		empty properties are	
	social purpose and	Accommodation funded by Welsh Government	Projects Update.		delivered on time and	
	the objectives of the		Assets & Development		on budget.	
	organisation		Committee 07.02.2023.			
		We have reviewed our assets and have	Board Approvals.			
		developed specialist housing on garage sites,	Elm Road			
		underperforming supported housing and vacant	Board 05.11.2020.			
		land and are working with the LA to map land				
		and need to support housing and social care.	Ilan Avenue			
			ELT 28.01.2020.			
			Assets and Development			
			Updates (St Johns Road)			
			Housing Leaders Minutes			
		We have identified three major strategic	Board Report 18.08.2022.		Ongoing delivery plan	
		development projects for areas of housing			for strategic	
		needing radical improvement at Mitchell Court,			development sites	
		Cardiff Bay and Penrhys	FIT A		A ACC 111	24 /22 /26
		In line with our objectives around Affordable	ELT Approval on the		Approve Affordable	31/03/26
		Warmth, the Board have agreed an	appointment of Thermal		Warmth approach	
		£8,125,357.02 investment in Thermal	Efficiency work.			

	Improvements to our Stock over the next three years and appointed a delivery partner.	Board Electronic Resolution – 04.05.2023.	Monthly progress meetings	
			Quarterly financial scrutiny	
	Trivallis have secured £1.8 M external WG Optimised Retrofit Funding to improve thermal efficiency in Perthcelyn, an area identified due to stock quality and poverty data.	Assets and Development Update on ORP funding. Assets & Development Committee 07.02.2023.	Monthly progress meetings  Quarterly financial scrutiny	31/03/24
Uses accurate information about assets and liabilities to inform strategic and financial decisions	During 2022/23, we carried out a full stock review with financial consultants DTP that has scored our stock on financial and social viability. As part of this work, we have assessed each property, scheme and estate providing granular detail on the performance of all our assets. This has provided clarity on the key areas where options appraisals will be focused, and a plan has been approved by ELT.	Assets and Development Committee Presentations on Stock Profiling. Assets & Development Committee 07.02.2023.  ELT report on Stock Profiling 13/06/23	We now need to build a deliverable programme that reviews the identified stock and provides options for future use.	31/03/24
	We have developed Scheme Appraisal Parameters for high-cost voids to allow us to make strategic decisions around options for these void properties.	High Costs Voids Report to Assets and Development Committee. Assets & Development Committee 26.04.2023.	Implement the model during 23/24	
	We have reviewed our Development Scheme Parameters in line with the WG SVM model and have a board approved framework for decisions for new builds.	Assets and Development Scheme Parameters Report. Board 18.08.2022.		
	Assests and Development Committee have agreed void parameters to assess the viability of investment in high cost voids	Assets and Voids Parameters Report. 22.12.2023 meeting.	Embed new working procedure into the void process	31/05/23

## **RS9 High Quality Accommodation**

Ref	Regulatory Standard	Narrative	Evidence	Complia nce with Standar d	Improvement Plan	Timeframe
RS9 THE ORGANISATION PROVIDES HIGH QUALITY ACCOMMODATI ON	Ensures publicly funded homes meet all applicable standards, rules and statutory guidance issued in connection with quality of accommodation, including the current Welsh Housing	Trivallis has a clear Board approved policy on the how we meet the Welsh Housing Quality Standard	WHQS Compliance report/Policy to Board 03.11.2022.		We are currently awaiting new WHQS standards from Welsh Government. When the new standards are released, we will revise our WHQS policy to comply with the new Standard and informed by tenant aspirations.	New Standard to be announced by the Welsh Government.
	Quality Standard.	All new homes meet the new WDQ requirements and are approved through technical scrutiny by WG officials.  We have delivered our WHQS commitments and have agreed mechanisms in place to maintain stock.	Technical Approval Confirmation for all funded schemes  Board Report – Welsh Government GAP funding 03.11.20 2022		Develop policy to align with requirements from WHQS23 consultation. This will position the organisation to respond quickly to formal release of the standard when it is released by WG.	Draft Policy Nov 2023

All new build homes meet the requirements under building control	Building Control Sign off for all new homes and when defects are later identified we immediately put plans in place to deal with issues.	We continue to deliver the Cardiff Bay strategic project that will see the major refurbishment of our tower blocks to ensure they are fully compliant with building regulations.	
All standard void properties are brought up to WHQs standard and Fit for Human Habitation Act. This is supported by our stock condition survey programme and stock profiling that identifies homes in need of investment or strategic review.	Void Policy. Voids Scope of Works included in Policy.  Major projects reports (Mitchell Court and Penrhys)  DTP Stock profiling presentation to Assets and Development Committee.	We are reviewing the Voids Standard alongside the WHQ Policy to ensure we are meeting tenants' requirements.	
We have set up a Damp Mould and Condensation (DMC) Group that reports To Tenant Services Committee on our performance, priority cases that are managed on a business wide tracker. Linked to this work is the service plan and reporting to ELT and Board that provides full oversight of service performance.  Service improvement has included the introduction of a new team, improved case management, improved coordination of support and communication.	Tenant Services Report on Damp, Mould and Condensation (Including performance metrics)	Deliver key actions in the action plan	Timescales set out in the DMC Plan