



## HDN Board Excellence Programme 2021/22

# **Group Development Session 2**

## Governance, Risk & Assurance

Date: Thursday 27th January 2022

Time: 17.00 – 19.30

Venue: Online

## **Guest Speakers:**

### **Maxine Loftus**

Director of Regulation, RSH (Regulator of Social Housing)

### Aims:

- To set the expectations of 'excellent governance' within the current regulatory and sector context
- To broaden and extend Board members knowledge and confidence to engage, contribute and challenge

### Learning Objectives:

- Demystify Housing Regulation
- Recognise Board Member responsibilities for good governance
- Understand assurance, what can go wrong and discuss approaches for Boards to seek assurance
- Build confidence to ask questions/challenge where you are not an 'expert'





17.00	Arrivals	
17.00 - 17.10 Introductions	<ul> <li>Welcome</li> <li>Introductions – chat facility only</li> </ul>	<b>Yvonne Davies</b> HDN Associate
17.10 to 18.10 The role of the Regulator & how they regulate	<ul> <li>This session will explore (30 mins)</li> <li>The role of the regulator</li> <li>How the regulator regulates</li> <li>In Depth Assessments – we will cover this in more detail in a separate session from a board chair's perspective later in the programme</li> <li>Regulatory decisions</li> </ul> Questions, discussion and sharing (30 mins) How do I keep up to date with judgements and regulatory guidance? <ul> <li>What do I need to find out about in my organisation</li> </ul>	Maxine Loftus, Director of Regulatory Operations, RSH Maxine & Yvonne
18.10 to 18.20	Refreshment Break	
18.20 to 19.00 The RSH's expectations of boards & learning from problem cases	<ul> <li>This session will explore</li> <li>The Role of Board and Committees in setting the future vision and purpose</li> <li>The role of the Board Member in governance, risk, assurance, and value for money</li> <li>Learning from Problem cases</li> </ul>	Maxine
	<ul> <li><u>Questions, discussion and sharing (20 mins)</u></li> <li>How can Board Members seek assurance their organisation is being run as an effective business?</li> <li>What does my new knowledge mean for my Board?</li> <li>How to I challenge readiness for regulatory intervention?</li> <li>Q&amp;A and feedback with Maxine and Yvonne</li> </ul>	Maxine & Yvonne





19.00 to 19.25 Case Study	<ul> <li>This session will include:</li> <li>A case study to work on your tables will be provided on the day</li> <li>Feedback and discussions</li> </ul>	Maxine & Yvonne
19.25 – 19.30 Next Steps & Review	<ul> <li>What next? – what to review and bring to your next session</li> <li>Feedback forms – to be circulated after the session</li> </ul>	Yvonne
19.30 Graduation	Graduation for those who have completed the programme. Graduates, please invite your mentor to attend this session. Optional for non-graduates. You are welcome to stay online, even if you are not graduating this time	
Next Workshop	<ul> <li>Thursday 17th February 2022, 5 - 7.30pm</li> <li><u>Financial Fundamentals, Part One:</u> What board members need to know and how to seek assurance about Financial Performance.</li> <li>Please have with you, a copy of your association's latest Management Accounts (or equivalent) and/or cover paper that go to your Board, which you will need to pre-read.</li> </ul>	