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Agenda

- Credit and financial update
- THFC's FY2023/24 annual results
- Strategy and executive team update
- Implications of 30 October UK budget for sector
- New products and partnerships
- Sustainability
- Questions
- Drink(s) and canapes







About THFC



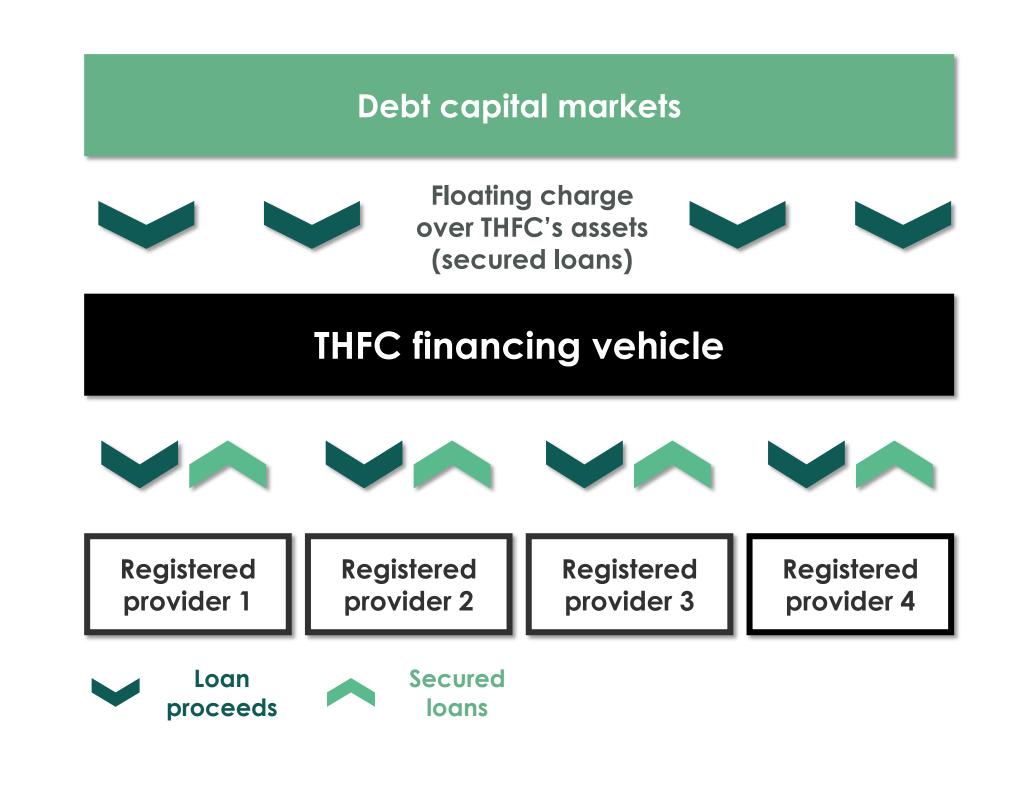
Will Stevenson
Group Treasurer



THFC today – robust and sustainable business

- Active bLEND and legacy THFC programmes
- THFC Sustainable Finance (TSF) to provide sustainability issuance
- Legacy AHF government guaranteed financing programme
- Deep and broad relationships with stakeholders including HAs, UK Government, investors, EIB, NHF, Regulators, advisors, media and international peers
- No material bond maturities until 2035

Market Coverag	е
Total borrowers across THFC Group	154
Total borrowers in AHF	62
Total borrowers in bLEND	31
Amount outstanding	c.£8bn





Well established market leader

Stable rating platform across THFC Group

THFC Group

4

(Stable)

S&P GlobalRatings

blend

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(Stable)

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RATINGS



THFC continues to deliver strong resilient financial performance

	Year ended 31 March						
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		
Revenue	8,565	12,427	12,486	12,266	15,206		
Operating expenses	(5,178)	(5,229)	(5,976)	(6,496)	(7,214)		
Surplus before tax	3,387	7,198	6,510	5,770	7,992		
Tax	(692)	(1,096)	(1,170)	(940)	(2,060)		
Surplus after tax	2,695	6,102	5,340	4,830	5,932		
Accumulated reserves	41,703	46,582	52,307	56,921	62,681		
Loans outstanding	£7,456m	£7,874m	£8,220m	£8,130m	£7,952m		

⁽¹⁾ Figures in £'000 unless stated otherwise

Surpluses provide a platform to invest in the business



THFC borrower performance

For year-end 31 March 2024

- THFC's borrowers continue to perform reasonably but with increasing evidence of struggling to meet budget, mainly due to rising repair and maintenance costs and delayed sales and disposals
- THFC's London borrowers performed more adversely to budget, with cost issues more keenly felt where high rise works remain pertinent, most evident in two entities taking significant building safety liability charges
- bLEND's portfolio continues performing more robustly, benefiting from low London presence
 - 50% (FY23: 60%) of its borrowers performed ahead of budget,
 while those below are mostly maintaining satisfactory metrics

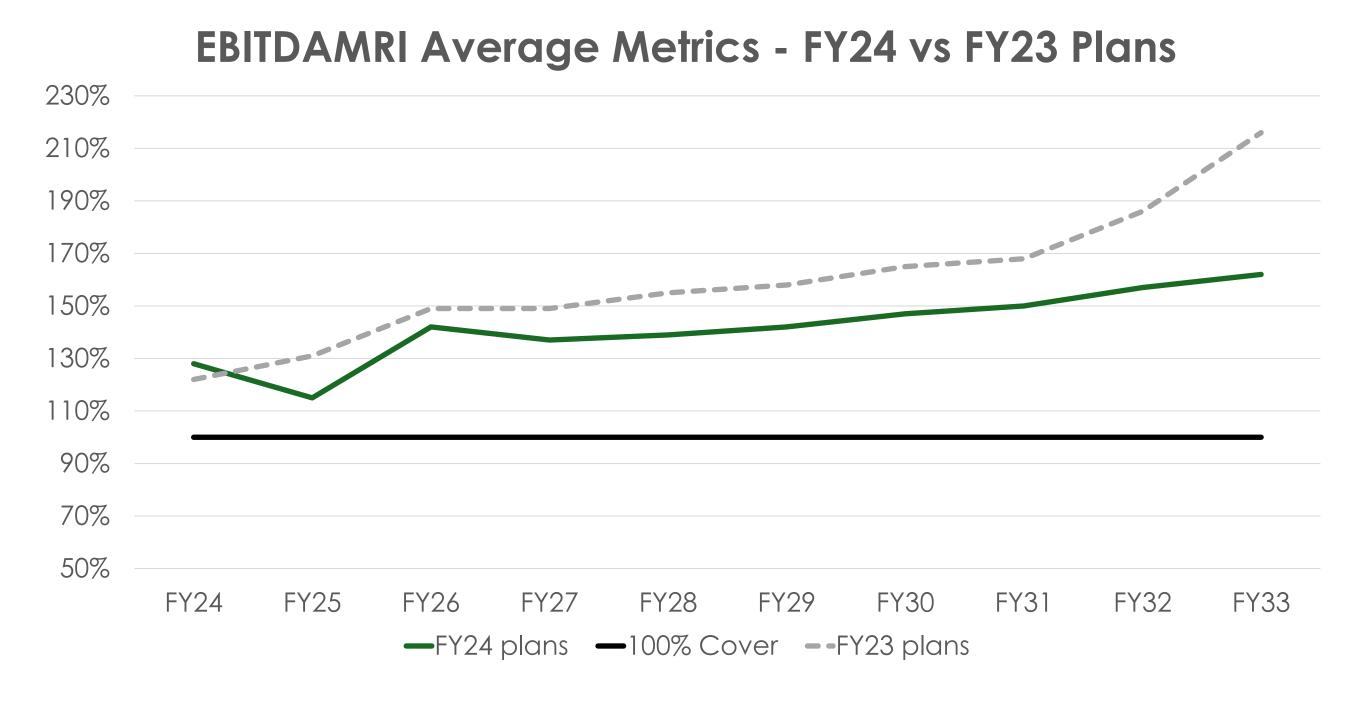


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THFC Group portfolio metrics

Analysis of THFC Group portfolio to understand how quickly cash flow metrics could recover



Broad conclusions when comparing FY23 to FY24:

- Cost pressures remain evident
- Short term metrics most heavily impacted
- Surpluses from build for sale remain comparatively low
- Works to achieve EPC C by 2030 have greater level of cost certainty, with progress visible



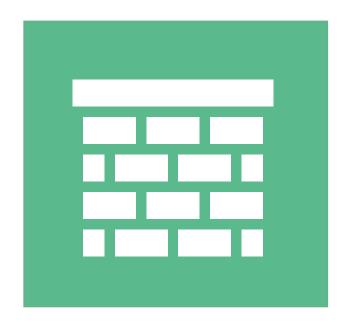
Strategy update



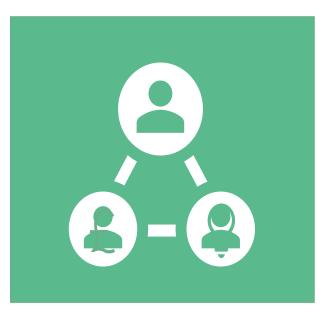
Priya NairChief Executive



Evolution of our 37-year story



Purpose and mission



Institutional investor connectivity



Partnerships



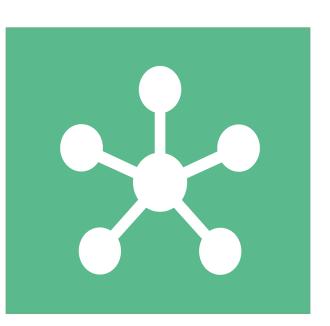
Product innovation



Supporting the four nations



Adjacent to Government



Mutuality

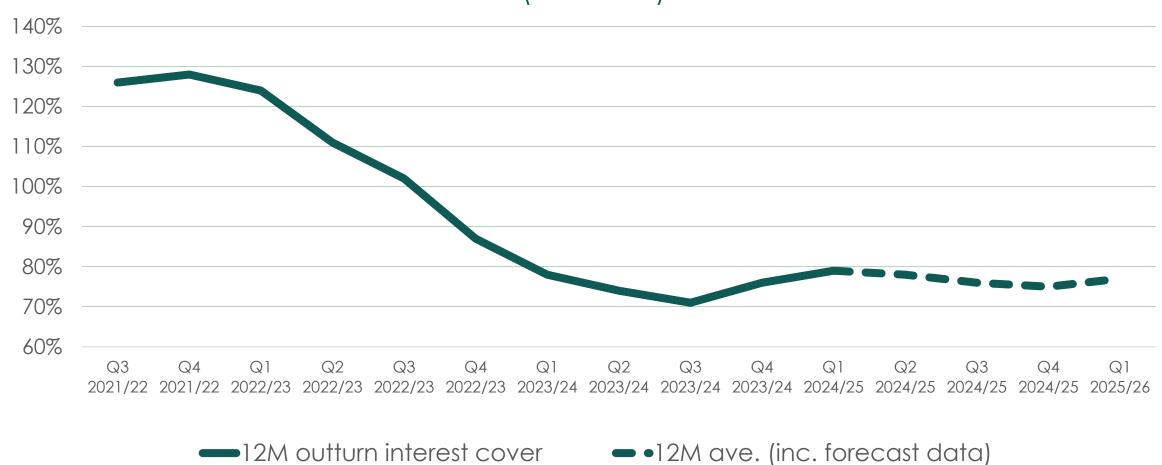


A challenging context

Sector faces challenging headwinds

- Decarbonisation costs
- Increasing repair and maintenance requirements
- Planning delays
- Grant funding restrictions
- Tenants' higher expectations around stock quality





Source: Regulator of Social Housing 'Quarterly survey for Q1' for quarter to 30 June 2024

- Materials and labour cost inflation
- Significant increase in sterling interest rates
- Sub-inflation rent progression
- Fire safety remediation
- Consumer regulation and a persistent/powerful Ombudsman
- No clear route, map, or subsidy for net zero
- Housing market still challenging

"It is evident that levels of interest cover have deteriorated and are set to remain depressed in the short-term. A total of 52 providers report having one or more loan covenant waivers in place."

Regulator of Social Housing 'Quarterly survey for Q4' for quarter to 31 March 2024

New Government

Positive messaging/tailwinds

- Housing central to their mission
- Government listening to sector's needs
- Ambitions to speed up planning process

Impact of budget

- 5-year CPI + 1% rent settlement
- Much higher employment costs NI/minimum wage increases
- Employment rights bill
- £5bn towards housing
- £500m towards grant programme until 2026 (c5,000 units)
- £3bn in guarantees including to house builders
- Reduced Right to Buy discounts, Councils allowed to keep all proceeds





Expanding opportunity whilst maintaining our purpose & culture

Activate stakeholder alignment

Build new partnerships

Pioneer
alternative
financing
models

Establish

new institutional investor relationships

Promote
"smaller" HAs

Liaise with key stakeholders to drive innovation

Foster communities

Lead on sustainability



Purpose, Vision and Goals

Seek to create positive impact in all that we do

Purpose

To provide financial solutions that enable the affordable housing sector to build and improve homes and create sustainable communities across the UK

Vision

THFC will be the catalyst to accelerate the development of affordable homes and sustainable communities

Strategic Goals

Grow business to better serve the social housing / communities sector

Solve client
problems through
a range of
financial products
and services

Develop strong relationships with investors to support their investment objectives

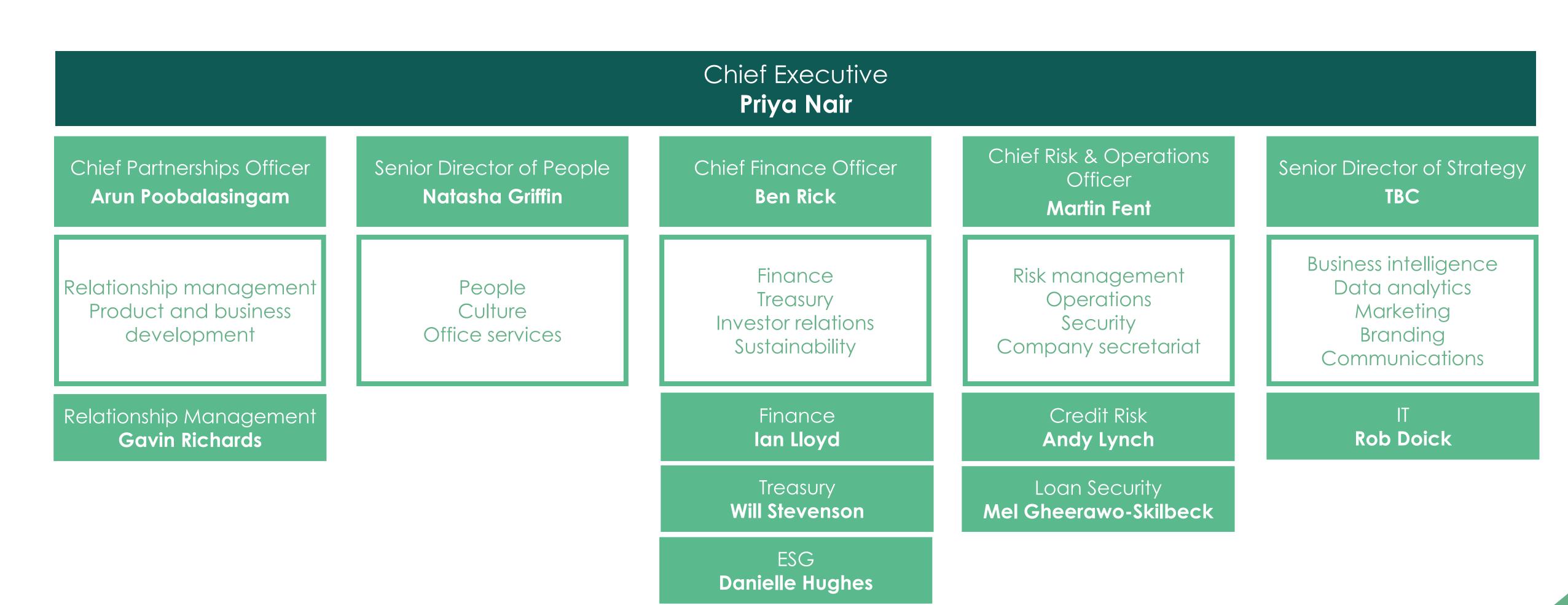
Connect organisations and facilitate partnerships

Improve internal governance and efficiency

Consistently growing our foundation & expanding our capabilities through cycles



Leadership team focused on enhanced vision and strategy





Supported by strong operational leadership team across key functional areas

Products & Partnerships



Arun Poobalasingam Chief Partnerships Officer



Partnerships

Building on track record of innovation











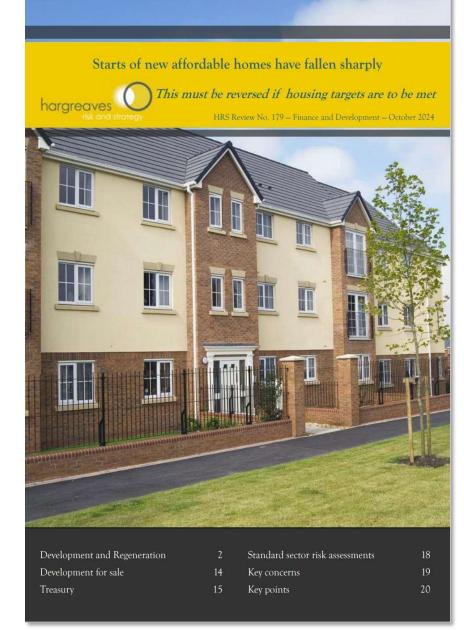
2025

- £2.6bn outstanding
- £2.5bn+ outstanding

£3.2bn outstanding

£1.5bn outstanding

- Ready to be utilised
- THFC's enhanced strategy includes new products and partnerships, such as that recently announced with National Wealth Fund (NWF)
- Acquisition of Hargreaves Risk & Strategy (HRS) to enter the UK social housing risk consultancy market
- Ongoing discussions to diversify debt capital markets funding sources and other non-debt initiatives



Latest edition of HRS' core product: the 'HRS Review'



Acquisition of HRS and National Wealth Fund partnership



- Social housing risk consultancy and enhanced client offering
- Subscription and consultancy services targeting board level engagement on risk
- 40 social housing clients, with approximately
 50% being THFC borrowers



THFC and NWF £150m guarantee

Tranche A	Tranche B
Unsecured guaranteed for retrofit	Secured unguaranteed for general corporate
	purposes

- THFC is NWF's only debt capital markets partner, providing institutional investors access to NWF guaranteed issuance to HAs
- Available to HAs across England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales



Sustainability



Danielle Hughes
Sustainability and Treasury Manager



Sustainability at THFC

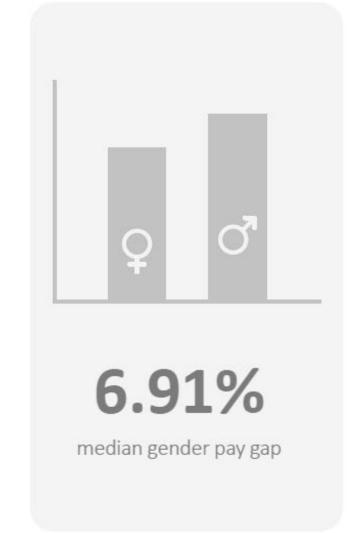
- Sustainability and ESG to play critical role in THFC's refreshed strategy going forward, with increased investment in this area
- Heightened focus on:
 - Developing innovative sustainable finance products
 - Engaging meaningfully with the **net zero** agenda so that we, along with our customers and wider stakeholders, are on track to thrive in a low carbon future
 - Enhancing our sustainability reporting to better communicate with our stakeholders, increase transparency in the markets, and ensure we are well positioned to continue attracting investment
- THFC aspires to evolve from an emerging voice to an established leader in ESG and sustainability





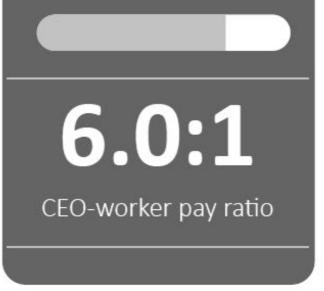
bLEND publishes its 4th SRS Report

- bLEND's latest <u>SRS report</u> showcases THFC's ongoing championing of sustainability across the social housing sector
- Remains only lender disclosing portfolio performance aligned with SRS
- 55% year on year increase in new homes delivered by bLEND borrowers in 2023/24
- 48% of borrowers are official SRS adopters
- 81% of borrowers include ESG risks in risk registers
- Strong engagement with borrowers on ESG data



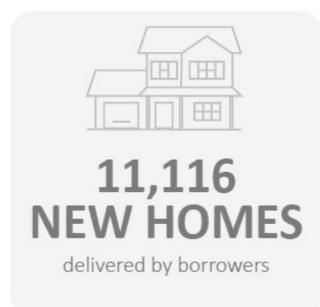
















Conclusion

- Refreshed purpose and vision to deliver strategic goals
 - Senior leadership formed to take business forward
 - Transformation programme to underpin future success
- NWF partnership and HRS acquisition early examples of broadening products and services to serve the affordable housing sector even more
- Broader sector engagement complemented by focus on internal operational excellence
- An exciting future enabled by strength and resilience from THFC's near 40-year history of sector support





The Housing Finance Corporation

Appendix



THFC Presenters



Priya Nair
Chief Executive
and Board Director

Priya joined THFC in March 2024. She brings more than 25 years of experience in the financial services sector, including advising infrastructure companies and international investors. Most recently, she was Senior Director of Infrastructure at abrdn Investment Management. Priya has extensive leadership experience across capital markets, corporate finance, digital transformation, and securities services. She has a proven track record of leading multi-disciplinary teams and implementing strategic growth initiatives.



Will Stevenson

Group Treasurer

Will joined THFC in 2009 and leads on investor relations, issuance of bonds and the maintenance of the group's credit ratings. Will played a key role in the set-up of bLEND Funding Plc. and pays particular attention to structuring deals to suit both housing association borrowers and investors to achieve the best results. Will was previously THFC's Deputy Treasurer and Relationship Manager and holds the AMCT corporate treasury qualification.



Arun Poobalasingam

Chief Partnerships Officer and Board Director

Arun joined THFC in 2021. He joined from HSBC where he helped set up and then led their social housing business focusing predominantly on larger housing associations. Having started his career at Diageo, he moved to Network Rail where, starting as a financial modeller, he moved on to the treasury team that raised over £20bn of debt in the global capital markets during his time there.



Danielle Hughes

Sustainability and Treasury Manager

Danielle joined THFC in 2022. She previously worked for D.R. Horton, America's largest builder, in the Investor Relations & ESG team. Danielle holds a Bachelor in Business Administration in Marketing from Texas Christian University and a Master of Science in Environment, Politics and Society from University College London (UCL).



THFC

New Executive Directors



Ben Rick
Chief Finance Officer

Ben joined THFC in November 2024.
Previously as an advisor to Lloyds Bank, he focused on its cross-group housing strategy and increasing lending to social and supported housing. Ben co-founded Social and Sustainable Capital (SASC) and remains a non-executive board member.

SASC is one of the UK's leading social investment fund managers in social and supported housing. He previously held roles at investment banks and hedge funds, including Bank of America and UBS.



Martin Fent

Chief Risk and Operations Officer

Martin joins THFC in January 2025. He is currently Chief Risk Officer at Cynergy Bank. Prior to that, he spent 15 years at NatWest Group, most recently as Chief Risk Officer for RBS International. Martin previously held several risk management roles spanning credit risk, conduct risk, portfolio management and restructuring.



THFC Group portfolio dashboard – September 2024

Group portfolio by country

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				2024	2024	Sovereign Network	153.9	-	153.9	230.5	384.4
England	6,438	6,464	6,501	6,517	6,511	Platform Housing	3.8	180.0	183.8	140.0	323.8
Northern Ireland	214	214	213	213	213	Southern Housing	166.0	-	166.0	150.1	316.1
Scotland	190	194	193	193	192	Vivid Housing	10.0	100.0	110.0	164.7	274.7
Wales	647	671	655	654	654	Peabody	100.7	-	100.7	150.0	250.7
Total	7,489	7,543	7,562	7,577	7,570	Total	434.4	280.0	714.4	835.3	1,549.7

Group portfolio summary by exposure

Group portfolio – lowest graded borrowers and watchlist

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Figures in £'m and at 31 March unless otherwise stated	2022	2023	2024	June 2024	Sep 2024	Figures in £'m and at 31 March unless otherwise stated	2022	2023	2024	
THFC Ltd	2,819	2,814	2,627	2,623	2,618	Lowest graded	376	702	411	
bLEND drawn	1,405	1,430	1,430	1,500	1,500					
bLEND deferred	-	40	40	-	-	Watchlist	212	127	463	
bLEND signed not priced	-	-	215	205	205					
AHF	3,244	3,244	3,244	3,244	3,244	Lowest graded as a % of	5%	9%	5%	
SHF/Index Linked	21	14	6	4	3	portfolio				
Total	7,489	7,543	7,562	7,576	7,570	Watchlist as a % of portfolio	3%	2%	6%	



June

2024

379

414

5%

Sep

769

296

10%

5%

bLEND portfolio dashboard – September 2024

bLEND portfolio by country

bLEND	portfolio	top 5	borrowers
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Figures in £'m and at 31 March unless otherwise stated	2022	2023	2024	June 2024	Sep 2024
England	1,108	1,248	1,363	1,383	1,383
Northern Ireland	50	50	50	50	50
Scotland	22	22	22	22	22
Wales	225	250	250	250	250
Total	1,405	1,570	1,685	1,705	1,705

Figures in £'m and at 30 September 2024	
Platform Housing	180.0
Wales & West	110.0
Wakefield & District Housing	100.0
Vivid Housing	100.0
Torus	100.0
Total	590.0

bLEND portfolio characteristics

Figures in £'m and at 31 March unless otherwise stated	2022	2023	2024	June 2024	Sep 2024
Drawn loans Deferred drawdown loans	1,175 230	1,388 83	1,430 40	1,500	1,500
Signed but undrawn loans		100	215	205	205
Total loans	1,405	1,570	1,685	1,705	1,705
Number of borrower groups	27	30	31	32	32

Signed not priced		
Borrower	Amount £'m	Expiry
Leeds Federated	10	Aug-25
West Kent Housing	50	Sep-25
Vivid	100	Mar-25
Ongo Homes	25	Mar-25
Acis	20	Mar-25
Total	205	



