



Staff update - Elgin Office

Scott started with the Association in January 2025. He took over the patch previously covered by Niketa who was promoted to Team Leader of the Elgin Housing Team at the end of 2024.

Before joining Langstane Scott worked for six years at the Department for Works and Pensions (DWP) within the Elgin and Forres Jobcentres. His position there was as a work coach which he says was a tough but rewarding role where he enjoyed helping make positive changes in people's lives.

Here's Scott's view on his new role:

"I'm really enjoying learning the Housing Officer role; it's very different to what I'm used to. It's challenging work with a lot to remember, but I hope to get up to speed as quickly as possible and contribute to Langstane."

"I'm very thankful to Langstane for the opportunity and it has made a big difference for me and my family, for which I am extremely grateful."



Our Housing Support Service in action – in Moray

What was the reason for referral?

The tenant was living in a first floor flat where he was unable to get out of the property without a lot of physical assistance and with great difficulty, due to medical conditions.

How did we help?

A member of the team met the tenant who had not been out of his property for several months. He was then supported to complete a transfer form, and was awarded medical points.

A great result!

The tenant was soon offered a ground floor property and was supported by staff to move.

He is very happy in his new home and is able to get out in the community unsupported.

(The privacy of the tenant in this story has been protected)

Moray conversation cafe roadshow - 2025 update!

The conversation café roadshow has been out and about again – this time visiting Forres.

Landlords from Langstane Housing, Grampian Housing and Moray Council were joined by eleven tenants from Forres, Elgin and Findhorn.

Topics discussed were:

- Options for getting involved with landlords specifically and in their local community.
- Housing issues experienced by tenants on their own estates.
- Housing options.
- Updates on staff changes.



Our next event will be in the summer with the date and location to be confirmed. Please continue to keep an eye on our social media pages and our website for the poster which will detail our next date and location. We hope to see you at one of our Moray events for a cuppa and chat.



New heating systems for tenants in Tomintoul

Langstane was recently awarded £262,992 through the Scottish Government Social Housing Net Zero Heat Fund. The Association matched this funding to undertake a £490,000 project, which saw eight properties in Tomintoul receive air source heat pump, Solar photovoltaics (PV) panel and battery storage unit.

Tenants can store electricity generated from solar panels to use at a convenient time. Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) ratings in these properties have gone from a low C to an A, giving tenants an estimated saving on their utility bills of £400 per year.

With this money we were also able to install an air source heat pump, Solar PV panel, battery storage, and external wall insulation in one hard-to-heat property in Aberdeen.

The project was specifically designed to reach tenants who have inefficient and / or carbon-intensive heating systems, maximising the potential for energy bill savings while reducing tenants' reliance on fossil fuel.

The project was managed on behalf of the Association by Warmworks, and installation work was carried out by McInnes Group.

