• Discuss the risks and opportunities of rent reductions, reclassification, Voluntary Right to Buy (VRTB) and Brexit for your business.

• Hear what the Homes and Communities Agency have learnt after the implementation of the new regulatory framework and IDA approach.

• Attend tailored breakout sessions on the management of internal and external audit, the first year of FRS102 and the impact of welfare reform.
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Programme

09:00 Registration and refreshments

09:40 Conference welcome
Lord Victor Adebowale, Chief Executive, Turning Point and Director, Leadership in Mind

09:50 Debate – opportunities and challenges in a new operating environment
Join industry leaders as they debate how business plans and operating models have adapted to rent reductions, reclassification, the introduction of Voluntary Right to Buy and now Brexit. Our speakers will discuss what risks and opportunities are presented by these and what the boards of the future must look like.
David Orr, Chief Executive, National Housing Federation
Ed Cox, Director, IPPR North (invited)
Simon Dow, Chair, London Housing Foundation (invited)
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10:40 The new regulatory environment
Hear the Homes and Communities Agency’s (HCA) views on deregulation and the lessons that have been learnt now that the new regulatory framework and IDA approach have bedded in. An audit committee chair shares their approach to regulatory compliance and good governance and you’ll have the opportunity to examine audit committee priorities for the future – where do the risks lie and how can they be adequately managed?
Fiona MacGregor, Executive Director of Regulation, HCA
Jack Stephen, Chair of the Audit Committee, Barnet Housing Group
Chair: Lord Victor Adebowale, Chief Executive, Turning Point and Director, Leadership in Mind

11:20 Refreshment break

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**Managing internal and external audit**
- Identify how to foster an effective and complimentary relationship between internal and external audit.
- Discuss how to manage auditors and ensure value for money.
- Explore the advantages and drawbacks of an in-house internal audit team.

*Maria Hallows, Audit Partner, Beever and Struthers*

**Financial reporting – the first year of FRS102**
- Assess the biggest implementation challenges and what boards should expect from their executive team.
- Examine how audit committees can effectively challenge the accountants.
- Discuss audit committee and stakeholder assurance about choices and changes.

*Keith Ward, Head of Social Impact Advisory, RSM*

*Mike Green, Audit and Risk Chair, Metropolitan Housing*

**The impact and future of welfare reform**
- Review the data on the impact of welfare reform on households.
- Gain an update on the Local Housing Allowance cap and Universal Credit rollout.
- Debate how boards should maintain oversight of these changes and gain assurance that risks are being managed.

*Professor Christina Beatty, Sheffield Hallam University*

*Sue Ramsden, Policy Leader, National Housing Federation*

**The realities of implementing Voluntary Right to Buy (VRTB)**
- Take away practical tips and experience from the front line.
- Explore structures, processes and training that can be put in place to maintain assurance.
- Listen to an overview of the fraud and money laundering risks associated with VRTB.

*Steve Moseley, Head of Strategy and Communications, L&Q*

*Stephanie Toghill, Housing Investigation Manager, London Borough of Camden*

11:45  **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

12:35  **Networking lunch – join 250+ colleagues at the only event specifically for audit committees in social housing**

13:30  **Mergers, amalgamations and partnerships – from aspirations to reality**

Analyse a case study from a recently merged housing association and determine how merger and restructure activity can drive efficiency and improve delivery. Also assess the role of the board in merger management and how partnerships and shared services can be a more appropriate approach for some organisations.

*David Williams, Partner, Campbell Tickell*

*Jonathan Paine, Board Member, Affinity Sutton*

Active chair: *Paul Fiddaman, Deputy Chief Executive, Isos Housing*
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Gordon Perry, Accent Group

Forthcoming events

**Annual Conference and Housing Exhibition**, 21-23 September, ICC, Birmingham
The Annual Conference and Housing Exhibition 2016 is all about helping our communities and the sector to take on challenges and bring our collective ambition and purpose to the fore.

**Young Leaders Experience and Awards**, 21-22 September, ICC, Birmingham
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**Housing Finance for Boards and Non-Finance Executives**, 18 October, Amba Hotel Marble Arch, London
Attend the Housing Finance for Boards and Non-Finance Executives Conference to gain a better understanding of finance at a strategic level during a time of significant change in your operating environment.

**Risk Management Conference**, 19 January, Conference Aston, Aston University, Birmingham
Join risk professionals to discuss how housing associations big and small can manage risks associated with Government changes; Voluntary Right to Buy, rent reduction, Starter Homes and Brexit.

**Housing Finance Conference and Exhibition**, 22-23 March, ACC, Liverpool
This year’s Housing Finance Conference and Exhibition was a fantastic event which saw over 1,000 finance professionals gathered in Liverpool. Don’t miss your opportunity to book with 2016 prices for next year’s event.

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14:40  **Improving efficiency within your business**
Discuss when to make hard decisions to refocus your business’ key objectives and purpose. Understand how considering costs, outputs and outcomes will improve efficiency within your business and learn how to allocate resources effectively to improve the productivity of processes.

**Mark Henderson**, Chief Executive, **Home Group**
**David Eastgate**, Director, Housing Consultancy, **Savills**
Chair: **Lord Victor Adebowale**, Chief Executive, **Turning Point** and Director, **Leadership in Mind**

15:30  **Debate – is your audit committee ready for the challenges that lie ahead?**
We’ve brought together a panel of industry experts and audit committee members to discuss:

- the role of audit committees in navigating their organisations through testing times for the sector
- best practice advice to ensure audit committees remain fit for purpose in a complex operating environment
- the required skills and effectiveness of audit committees to face emerging risks.

**Fiona Underwood**, Partner, **Altair**
**Roshana Arasaratnam**, Vice-President and Senior Credit Officer, **Moody’s Public Sector Europe**
**Mark Rolfe**, Audit Committee Chair, **Barratt** [Invited]
Chair: **Lord Victor Adebowale**, Chief Executive, **Turning Point** and Director, **Leadership in Mind**

16:20  **Closing remarks**
**Lord Victor Adebowale**, Chief Executive, **Turning Point** and Director, **Leadership in Mind**

16:25  **Conference close**
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