

# Port of Leith Housing Association celebrates fortieth anniversary



The Port of Leith Housing Association (PoLHA) reached its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary last week and held a celebration at Hibs stadium which was attended by 150 guests including staff, tenants, partners and contractors.

Established in 1975, the Association has invested over £200m creating over 2,700 good quality affordable homes in the Leith and North Edinburgh areas over the last 40 years. Over the past 10 years the Association has also assisted over 500 young people into further training and work through its T0iL project.

To mark this milestone, a “This Is Your Life” style production entertained the guests. This featured old stills of Leith and PoLHA plus a short film highlighting the impact the Association makes on the lives of residents and the community. There was also an audio featuring Douglas McKay who was the very first Chair of the Association.

Keith Anderson, Chief Executive, said: “As one of Edinburgh’s oldest local housing associations to have reached this milestone is a great achievement.

“Our beliefs are still very much what they were 40 years in that we are committed to building even more high quality affordable homes for people in Leith and North Edinburgh.

“I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported us over the years. Working together we are better able to deliver our ambition which is to make places

great for people to live in and to change lives for the better in future.”