

Royal patron celebrates anniversary with veterans' charity

The charity Veterans Housing Scotland (VHS) held a reception in the Great Hall at Edinburgh Castle on the occasion of its 110th anniversary and were honoured by the presence of their new patron, Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal.

The new patron met and talked with veterans who live in VHS properties. HRH also met staff who deliver the care which helps veterans in practical ways to ensure they have a home which is safe, secure and meets all of their needs.

Chairman, Group Captain Bob Kemp, welcomed Her Royal Highness and told guests how honoured he was to receive confirmation that she had accepted the charity's invitation to become its new Patron following King George V, King George VI followed by the late Queen.

He said: "Last year we set ourselves a target to increase our housing stock by 25 homes by 2025 by means of our Nominated Rights campaign and I am delighted to announce that we have hit this target. Our achievement is largely down to the support we receive from the many local authorities and housing associations across Scotland. Veterans' Housing Scotland has

developed numerous working partnerships with many organisations and companies and I would like to acknowledge and thank them for their invaluable support.”

Chief Executive, Kevin Gray, said: “2025 is a very special year for VHS and to welcome Her Royal Highness to our reception was a great honour. HRH was very interested in our beneficiaries stories and how their lives have changed for the better since meeting Veterans Housing Scotland. We are privileged to be the caretakers of this wonderful charity ensuring that it will continue well into the future.”

Veterans Housing Scotland is the leading provider of homes for disabled veterans in Scotland, and has a portfolio of 637 homes in Scotland.

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Veterans Housing Scotland Event at Edinburgh Castle on 8 March 2025