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Permanent managing director appointed at Homes for Haringey

Sean McLaughlin has been appointed managing director of Homes for Haringey taking up the role on 3rd April 2018.

Sean has most recently been corporate director, Housing and Adult Social Services at Islington council where he set up the housing advice and homelessness services. He represented the council in establishing and supporting the ALMO, Homes for Islington, and oversaw the successful completion of its decent homes programme. He was policy lead for learning disabilities for the Association of Directors of Adult Social Services and chairs the London Transforming Care Steering Group, co-ordinating activity to move people with learning disabilities out of hospital and into the community. His early career included roles with Camden and Haringey councils.

Chris Liffen, who has been in the interim role of managing director since June, will resume his position as executive director of Property when Sean joins.

Chair of the Board, Aman Dalvi, said: "We are delighted to have Sean join as managing director. Social housing is facing a demanding future following the sector-changing events of the past 12 months. Sean's experience of – and passion for – the housing industry will help us to navigate the challenges and identify the opportunities.

"The Board would like to thank Chris for his meticulous stewardship during his time as interim managing director."

Commenting on his appointment, Sean said: "Haringey is a place full of opportunity and potential. This is a fantastic chance to make a real impact on inequality in the borough, and be part of the national movement to raise the esteem, standards and outcomes for residents of social housing."

Chris Liffen responded to the announcement saying: "Following the announcement of Sean McLaughlin as the permanent managing director of Homes for Haringey, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for your support over the past six months during what has been, and continues to be, a very challenging period for Homes for Haringey and the sector as a whole.

"I will remain in the role of interim managing director until Sean starts in the next few months and know that you will continue to support me over the coming months and beyond as I return to my role as executive director of Property.

"On a personal level I am very happy that the Board has appointed Sean as our new managing director. Having worked with him in the past I know that he brings a wealth of knowledge and experience across the range of services we provide that will benefit us as an executive team and Homes for Haringey as a whole."

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About Homes for Haringey

Homes for Haringey is an Arms Length Management Organisation (ALMO), set up in April 2006 to manage Haringey's council housing.

- We manage around 16,000 tenanted and 4,500 leasehold properties and employ around 600 staff
- We have our own in-house repairs service (Haringey Repairs Service) which carries out around 60,000 repairs to council homes every year.
- While Haringey Council owns the homes and takes overall responsibility for housing policy and strategy, Homes for Haringey is responsible for the day-to-day management of council homes.

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