

## For Immediate Release



### Doncaster Exhibition Launched To Mark Centenary Of Council Housing

Local housing provider St Leger Homes, in partnership with Doncaster Council, has today launched an exhibition marking 100 years of Council Housing and the positive impact this has had across Doncaster. St Leger Homes currently manages over 20,000 homes across the borough on behalf of Doncaster Council.

The Addison Act Exhibition – named after Christopher Addison, the Housing Minister who introduced the legislation in 1919 – will run at Doncaster Museum and Art Gallery until Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June, in the Community Gallery section.

Councillor Glyn Jones, Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing and Equalities at Doncaster Council, said:

“Council housing makes such a positive difference in our local communities, and it’s fascinating to look at the journey we’ve seen in Doncaster over the last 100 years. I want to thank St Leger Homes for putting this exhibition together for local people.

“As a Council, ensuring we have good quality, affordable and sustainable social housing is a big part of our vision locally. It’s a great privilege to see every day the positive impact we can have when we deliver good housing schemes for local people and it’s fantastic that tenants’ voices are at the heart of this exhibition.”

Paul Tanney, Chief Executive of St Leger Homes, said:

“We’re delighted to have put together this exhibition marking 100 years of Council Housing in the UK. It’s a big milestone in the history of housing in this country, and whilst there has been a lot of change, what has remained the same is the challenge and aspiration to ensure we have decent homes for people in Doncaster now and also into the future.

“We’re really proud of what St Leger Homes is doing alongside Doncaster Council to make a difference for families living locally today. Some of the most powerful parts of the exhibition are where local tenants have spoken about the positive impact council housing has had in their lives – and it’s very humbling.

“We hope people will find this exhibition informative but also inspiring as we look at how we shape council housing in Doncaster in the future. Please do take a few minutes over the next month to pop into the museum and find out a bit more about this period of history.”

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Editors notes:

Attached is a photo of Paul Tanney (Chief Executive of St Leger Homes), Alan Tolhurst OBE (Chair of the St Leger Homes Board) and Cllr Glyn Jones (Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing and Equalities, Doncaster Council).

To visit our special website about the exhibition visit: <https://spark.adobe.com/page/6PVG7qYZXTKaT/>

To watch our special film about the exhibition visit: <https://spark.adobe.com/video/DbB6P94gPEUI5>

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St Leger Homes is an award-winning social housing organisation which provides housing services across Doncaster and manages over 20,000 properties for Doncaster Council. It also works to build confident communities working with its customers and partner agencies.

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