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"Overall I found the mentoring to be beneficial. I feel this was in light of Sharon's wealth of experience and my current personal and professional goals. I think the timing was very good and I gained some invaluable guidance and advice from Sharon. I believe this was also a two way process in which we both were able to share our knowledge, understanding and (life) experience within housing. I would recommend the mentoring programme to others"

Laurie Kefalas
Customer Services Officer
Linthouse Housing Association

"Having Anna (Stuart) as my mentor is, and has been, a major benefit in my understanding, not only of my contribution as a committee member of Hawthorn Housing Co-op, but also of the wider network. I go up to Castlemilk Stables to see Anna about every 4-5 weeks. One of the many positive outcomes is that currently both directors (Hawthorn Housing & Castletoun HA) have had discussions re developing mutual invitations to attend and meet colleagues at their subsequent Management Committee meetings"

Robert Stewart

Board Member

Hawthorn Housing Co-op

"The mentoring programme was really beneficial for me. Getting the opportunity to work alongside a CEO for another HA was a great experience. Patrick from Southside HA was really accommodating and willing to help where he could, and as a result, I have secured a board member place following his advice.

We have not formally met since June 2019 and, having recently spoken via email, would be happy to wrap up the official mentoring sessions between us both; however, we have agreed to keep in touch informally which will help me moving forward as I can rely on him for advice etc."

Elaine McDermott
Customer Services Officer
Linthouse Housing Association

"I found the mentoring programme gave me re-assurance that what I was doing was okay. In a new senior officer role I was reassured that I was doing things right. Speaking with someone who had been in that role for sometime allowed me to think about the challenges faced in the wider sector. We all need help and support in our career and sharing experiences and getting advice is key to continuing in your career path.

I would hope that I will be in a position again to mentor a young person in the sector seeking support and reassurance in their career path"

Janice Shields
Interim Director
Ruchazie Housing Association