

<b>Role Title</b>	<b>Customer Services Manager</b>
<b>Corporate Focus</b>	<b>LHA Group</b>
<b>Objectives / Purpose of Role</b>	<p>To provide leadership and direction in relation to the ICT Strategy ensuring the provision and delivery of reliable and effective ICT support for all aspects of the LHA Group’s business activities.</p> <p>Lead digital transformation initiatives that improve services for tenants.</p> <p>Ensuring our staff and board are trained and supported to improve our service delivery and options.</p> <p>Ensure robust cybersecurity and data protection, creating a trusted, secure environment.</p>
<b>Accountability</b>	Director of Customer Services
<b>Management Responsibility</b>	None
<b>Main Location / Base</b>	Hybrid
<b>Hours of Work</b>	28 hours
<b>Date Approved</b>	10/02/25

<b>Key Activities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop a 3 year IT strategy that aligns with the Group’s business objectives for key business areas ensuring current thinking and practice are reflected.</li> <li>• Oversee the design, implementation, and maintenance of IT infrastructure, including networks, servers, and data storage systems.</li> <li>• Oversee design and customisation of technological systems and platforms to enhance customer service delivery.</li> <li>• Set and monitor budgets and ensure effective management and control of delegated budgets and operational costs for the Association, LHAPS and LCR.</li> <li>• Report directly to SMT ensuring all risks relating to the LHA Group are identified, managed, and reported to the Board on a regular basis.</li> <li>• Implement a robust performance management framework, supported by benchmarking data, service improvement plans and SMART targets and deliver continuous improvement in performance results and value for money.</li> <li>• Support the Chief Executive, Boards, Committees, sub committees in delivering effective governance, including preparing and presenting reports on a regular basis, providing assurance to Boards and Committees.</li> </ul>

- Co-ordinating and delivering business critical ICT related projects through effective research, liaison and management of ICT service providers.
- Effectively managing ICT service suppliers and support contracts to ensure that critical ICT resources achieve maximum uptime and value for money is provided.
- Keeping up to date with the latest technologies and relevant hardware and software available for the Group business activities.
- Developing a training programme for all users with the aim of raising skills, standards and awareness in the use of MS Office and other applications and promoting consistency across the organisation.
- Analysing, supporting, developing and training users on business software in use by the Group to maximise its full potential and maintain the integrity of Group databases.
- Develop and implement a comprehensive cybersecurity strategy including becoming cyber security accredited.
- Stay informed about emerging cyber threats and vulnerabilities, taking appropriate action or providing recommendations as required.
- Conduct regular security audits and penetration testing, ensuring any corrective action is implemented swiftly.

**Other Responsibilities**

- To always represent Lochaber Housing Association and the Lochaber Group positively and effectively
- To be familiar with, observe and uphold all policies and procedures relevant to this role
- To communicate effectively with colleagues to ensure high quality service provision and performance
- To participate in all relevant training and development
- To comply with all relevant statutory and regulatory requirements
- To follow all reasonable instructions and undertake any other reasonable tasks that may be required

**Specific Resources Associated with this role**

Smart Phone / ICT

**Key Relationships**

ICT Support Provider(s)