

# GET LIVING APPOINTS AILISH CHRISTIAN-WEST AS DIRECTOR OF REAL ESTATE

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## Ailish is the incumbent Revo President and joins from Landsec

Get Living PLC, the UK's most experienced and progressive build-to-rent operator of large-scale residential neighbourhoods, announces the appointment of Ailish Christian-West as Director of Real Estate. Ailish brings with her over 20 years of experience in the UK real estate market.

Reporting directly to the CEO, Rick de Blaby, Ailish will be responsible for managing the business' existing £2 billion build-to-rent portfolio, which currently comprises 3,000 homes across three operational neighbourhoods and all its existing retail and public realm environments.

Working closely alongside Ian Gibbs, Director of Neighbourhoods, the wider executive team and partnership of investors, Ailish will additionally oversee Get Living's 5,000 home development pipeline - which will see the business more than double over the next five years. She will also direct the considerable programme of capital expenditure projects and the mobilisation of planned new launches; ensuring the business is well positioned to sustain the ongoing growth in total returns on behalf of its investors.

**Rick de Blaby, CEO, Get Living, said:** *"We are thrilled to be announcing Ailish's timely appointment, which comes at an important point in Get Living's journey. We were the pioneers of this sector and in our quest to remain the innovators, we seek to ensure our real estate – from home design, buildings, public realm and retail mix to our ESG impact – continues to perform for residents and investors alike. Given Ailish's extensive investment management and operational expertise we are well placed to take our maturing assets into the next era of growth and accelerate our pipeline further.*

*"I, alongside the rest of the Get Living team, look forward to working with Ailish as we seek to apply a lot of the learnings that we've accumulated over the past seven years, as well as the unprecedented experiences from the last three months, in continuing to build a forward looking, high performing and socially conscious business for the benefit of our residents and investors."*

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Ailish joins Get Living from Landsec where she spent 12 years of her career, most in the role of Head of Property for a £6 billion portfolio of retail, leisure and London suburban assets, leading a team of over 200 people. As a member of executive and property committees, she has significant experience across capital allocation, asset management and operation of real estate. Prior to joining Landsec, Ailish spent 10 years in fund management including roles at La Salle Investment Management and Invista.

Ailish is a passionate advocate of creating experiential and sustainable destinations for communities, business partners and consumers. She is the current President of Revo, a placemaking and retail property organisation, which represents all stakeholders in the £360 billion retail property sector, including property owners, retailers and local authorities. In her role as President of Revo, Ailish has been focused on supporting the re-invention of retail places, rates review and development of the social value contribution of members to highlight that real estate is and will continue to be a force for good.

**Commenting on her appointment, Ailish added** *"I am excited to be joining the leading operator in the build-to-rent sector and look forward to working with colleagues who are passionate about creating sustainable, thriving communities across the UK. The team's relentless focus on understanding how and where people want to live in the future is a fantastic platform for delivering Get Living's ambitious growth plans."*



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## Notes to Editors

### Get Living

Get Living is the UK's most experienced and progressive build to rent operator of large-scale residential neighbourhoods. A pioneer in the build to rent sector, Get Living offers simple, straightforward living in brilliant big city neighbourhoods. Its market-leading expertise is derived from over seven years of actively operating the UK's most prominent build to rent asset, East Village.

Get Living's £2 billion portfolio comprises 3,000 homes for rent across three neighbourhoods; East Village and Elephant Central in London and New Maker Yards at Middlewood Locks, Manchester. Further neighbourhoods are planned in the UK's six biggest cities, including Leeds and Glasgow, with ambitions to grow the portfolio to 12,500 homes within five years.

Get Living PLC is owned by Qatari Diar; the Dutch pension fund, APG and DOOR, the co-investment platform for Delancey's client fund DV4 and Oxford Properties, the global real estate arm of OMERS.

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