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### Election Statement

Practices within the Scotland North council seat work within a unique context across a geographically dispersed region, much of which is rural. Many areas are economically marginalised, and the Highlands and Islands in particular are experiencing a severe shortage of affordable housing. Where affordable housing is being delivered at scale, architects, and particularly small practices, have very limited opportunities for involvement through restricted procurement processes and a default towards mass house builders. Along with promoting a transition towards bio-based construction, VAT exemption for retrofit, and representation for rural practices and workers, I intend to speak up for the collective agency of small and medium sized architectural practices, who ought to have a more significant stake in shaping our built environment.