

## **Notice – Delay to 2019/20 Accounts Publication Date**

The Council has produced its statement of accounts for the year 2019/20. Due to the COVID-19 epidemic, financial reporting deadlines for the 2019/20 accounts have been extended, with the deadline for publication of audited accounts moving from 30 September to 30 November 2020.

The Council has been informed that the external audit of the accounts will not be concluded within this timeframe due to the appointed firm being unable to resource the audit in a timely manner. It is expected that the audit will be conducted during December 2020 and January 2021.

As such, under the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, this notice is hereby given that the statement of accounts cannot currently be published. The accounts will be published as soon as reasonably practicable after the receipt of any report from the auditor which contains the auditor's final findings from their audit."