



**ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT (ENGLAND & WALES) REGULATIONS 2015 and THE ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT  
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2021 NOTICE**

**PUBLICATION OF ACCOUNTS**

Under section 10 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, the Council is required to publish its annual Statement of Accounts by 31 July each year; due to Covid-19 the publishing deadline has been extended for 2020/21 to 30 September 2021.

The Statement of Accounts includes the Council's Annual Governance Statement and any audit opinion given by the external auditors at this date. If the audit has not concluded by 30 September the Council is required to publish the reasons for this under Section 10.2a of the Regulations.

Due to resourcing difficulties on the part of the external auditors, Grant Thornton, the audit of the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 has not concluded in time to meet the 30 September publication date.

The latest draft Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 is now available on the Council's website, subject to conclusion of the audit.