

MID AND WEST WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 2019/20

Audit notice where Responsible Financial Officer has certified the accounts but audit has not been completed so the audited body is not able to publish audited accounts

Regulation 10(1) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires that Responsible Financial Officer of Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority sign and date the statement of accounts, and certify that it presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the body at the end of the year to which it relates and of that body's income and expenditure for that year. The Regulations required that this be completed by 31 May 2020. The Responsible Financial Officer signed and certified the accounts on 29 May 2020.

Regulation 10(2) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires that following the certification by the Responsible Financial Officer referred to above, Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority approve and publish the audited statement of accounts. The Regulations required that this be completed by 31 July 2020.

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the exercise of members of the public right to inspect the statement of accounts and ask questions of the auditor has been delayed, and as a result the audit of the 2019-20 statement of accounts has not yet been completed and no audit opinion has been provided. The statement of accounts that is published is the unaudited statement of accounts.

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