

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Delay in certification of completion of the audit for the year ended 31 March 2023

The audit of our financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 is now complete and the audited accounts are now available on our web page under 'Statement of accounts 2021-23'.

The audit has not yet concluded due to:

- Work ongoing to assess the Council's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources. We have not completed this work because we have applied the special provisions in the National Audit Office's Auditor Guidance Note 03 and will be completing this work to a later timescale. We plan to complete this work and issue our Auditor's Annual Report by the end of December 2023 which is within three months of the date of the opinion on the financial statements, as permitted under the special provisions in AGN 03
- Work outstanding to complete the work necessary to issue the Whole of Government Accounts (WGA) Component Assurance statement for the year ended 31 March 2023.

As soon as the work above has been carried out the notice of conclusion of the audit will be added to the website along with the audit certificate.

Simon Dix
Executive Director of Resources (s151 Officer)
11 October 2023