

## **OPERATIONS GROUP**

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## **AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 2023/24**

The external audit of the draft statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 has not yet been completed by our external auditors, Forvis Mazars due to the need to clear the backlog of audit work from previous years which is impacting on the delivery of the 2023/24 audit.

This situation is allowed for by Regulation 10, paragraph (2a) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015. The Regulations can be viewed online at the following address: www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2015/234/regulation/10/made

Therefore, this notification explains, as per paragraph (2a), that we are not yet able to publish our audited 2023/24 final statement of accounts in line with deadline of 30th September 2024, as per paragraph (1). The Audit Committee will consider the results of the 2023/24 audit, after which we will publish the final audited accounts.

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