

Audit of Account 2020-2021

Notice of delay to conclusion

In accordance with Regulation 10 of the Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 notice is given that the conclusion of the audit of the Statement of Accounts for Southend on Sea Borough 2020/21 has been delayed.

The reasons for this are:

- Audit assurance letters relating to 2020/21 from the auditors of the Essex Pension Fund have not yet been issued and the Council's auditors are therefore unable to conclude on this matter;
- The extra detailed testing work required in order to gain the necessary assurances given the full year effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the figures and disclosures in the accounts.

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