

Audit notice

Certification and approval of annual accounts for 2019-20

Regulation 15(1) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires that Responsible Financial Officer of Ruthin Town Council sign and date the statement of accounts, and certify that it presents fairly the financial position of [name of Council] at the end of the year and the Council's income and expenditure for the year. The Regulations required that this be completed by 30 June 2020.

The Responsible Financial Officer has not signed and certified the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020 due to the COVID-19 outbreak. The statement of accounts will be prepared and the Responsible Financial Officer will sign and certify the statement of accounts when the immediate pressures of the COVID-19 outbreak have subsided.

Publication of audited accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020

Regulation 15(5) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires that by 30 September 2020, Ruthin Town Council publish its accounting statements for the year ended 31 March 2020 together with any certificate, opinion, or report issued, given or made by the Auditor General.

The accounting statements in the form of an annual return have been published on the Council's website. However, the accounts are published before the conclusion of the audit. Due to the impact of COVID-19, the Auditor General has not yet issued an audit opinion.