

# **WEST MIDLANDS COMBINED AUTHORITY**

## **ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REGULATIONS 2015 NOTICE PUBLICATION OF 2020/21 ACCOUNTS**

Under section 10 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, the Authority is required to publish its annual Statement of Accounts by 31 July each year. Due to COVID-19, the publishing deadline has been extended for 2020/21 to 30 September 2021.

The Statement of Accounts includes the Authority's Annual Governance Statement, Narrative Statement, and any audit opinion given by the external auditors at this date. If the audit has not concluded by 30 September, the Authority is required to publish the reasons for this under Section 10.2a of the Regulations.

The reason for the delay is the meeting for the Audit, Risk & Assurance Committee, as Those Charged with Governance, was not quorate to approve the audited Statement of Accounts. The approval for the Statement of Accounts will now therefore take place at the next WMCA Board meeting in November 2021.

The Authority has published its latest draft Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021, subject to the conclusion of the audit.

Date: 30 September 2021

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