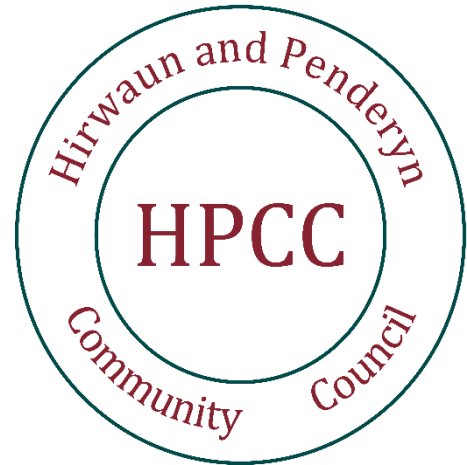


## Certification and approval of annual accounts for 2022-23



Regulation 15(1) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires that Responsible Financial Officer of Hirwaun & Penderyn Community Council sign and date the statement of accounts, and certify that it presents fairly the financial position of Hirwaun & Penderyn Community 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 2023.

The Community Council has not yet approved the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023. This is due to a change in the Community Council's Internal Auditor, in addition to an increased workload for the Executive Officer. The Responsible Financial Officer has been unable to finalise the accounts in time for full council to approve them by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023 deadline.

Regulation 15(2) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires that following the certification by the Responsible Financial Officer referred to above, the Council must approve the accounts. The Regulations require that this be completed by 30 June 2023.

The Council has been unable to meet to approve the accounts. The accounts will be approved before 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023.