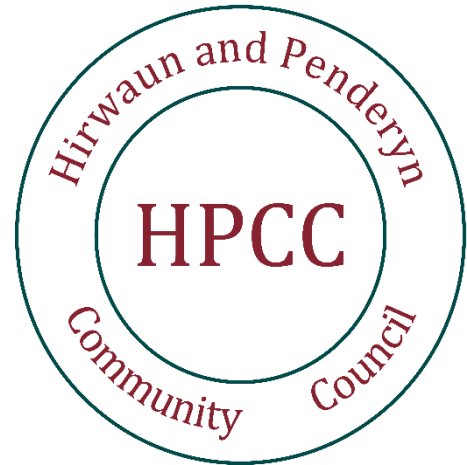


Certification and approval of annual accounts for 2019-20



Regulation 15(1) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires that Responsible Financial Officer of 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 2020.

The Responsible Financial Officer has not yet signed and certified the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020. Due to the increased workload linked to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Responsible Financial Officer has been unable to finalise the accounts in time for full council to approve them by the 30th June 2021 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 2020.

The Council has been unable to meet to approve the accounts as the Responsible Financial Officer has not yet certified the accounts. The accounts will be approved at the July full council meeting which will be held on 8th July 2021.