

Delay in publishing audited Statement of Accounts: Year Ended 31 March 2023

Publication of North East Lincolnshire Council's Statement of Accounts and Audit Opinion

The external audit of the draft Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 has not yet been completed by our external auditors, Mazars LLP.

This situation is allowed for by Regulation 10, paragraph (2) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234) <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2015/234/regulation/10> , as amended by the Accounts and Audit (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/708) [The Accounts and Audit \(Amendment\) Regulations 2022 \(legislation.gov.uk\)](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2022/708) .

This notification explains, as per Regulation 10 (2) (a), that we are not yet able to publish our audited 2022/23 Statement of Accounts in line with publication date of 30 September 2023, as per Regulation 10 (1). This delay is resulting due to our external auditor having a backlog of audit work to clear from previous years which is impacting on the timely delivery of the 2022/23 audit. North East Lincolnshire Council is continuing to work closely with the external auditor to ensure the required work is completed as soon as possible.

In line with the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, North East Lincolnshire Council published a draft Statement of Accounts subject to audit on 19 June 2023. The final audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 will be published as soon as the audit is concluded, and the Independent Auditor's Report issued.

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