
**BERRIEW COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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Certification and Approval of Annual Accounts for 2019-20

Regulation 15(1) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires that the Responsible Financial Officer of BERRIEW COMMUNITY COUNCIL sign and date the statement of accounts, and certify that it presents fairly the financial position of BERRIEW 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 signed and certified the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020. The statement of accounts has been prepared but due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Internal Audit has not been completed. The Responsible Financial Officer will sign and certify the statement of accounts when the immediate pressures of the COVID-19 outbreak have subsided.

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 due to the Internal Audit having been delayed due to the COVID-19 outbreak.