

**NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE, FIRE & CRIME COMMISSIONER (FIRE & RESCUE
AUTHORITY)**

**Delay in issue of External Audit Certificate for the audited Statement of Accounts:
Year Ended 31 March 2022**

Following the approval of the accounts on 30 November 2022, the External Auditors have confirmed that an unqualified audit opinion has been issued.

As the auditors have not yet completed their work in respect of the Authority's value for money arrangements nor on the Authority's Whole of Government Accounts submission, they have been unable to issue the audit certificate formally concluding the audit.

In line with Regulation 10 Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 the Authority is now able to publish:

- the statement of accounts together with any certificate or opinion entered by the local auditor in accordance with section 20(2) of the Act.
- the annual governance statement approved in accordance with regulation 6(3); and
- the narrative statement prepared in accordance with regulation 8.

These can be found at <https://www.northyorkshire-pfcc.gov.uk/fire-oversight/budgets-and-expenditure/fire-statement-of-accounts/>

The audit certificate will be published as soon as the audit is concluded.

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Date: 1st December 2022