## Education through Regional Working (ERW) Statement of Accounts 2020-21

Regulation 10(2) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires the Statement of Accounts to be audited and approved by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021. However, the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic has resulted in this deadline being extended to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

Ongoing constraints posed by the COVID-19 pandemic and the backlog this has caused has resulted in a delay in obtaining audit opinion, resulting in the audit not being concluded by 30 November. Once the audit is completed the statement of accounts, including the audit opinion will be presented to the Joint Committee at the earliest opportunity.