### Certification and approval of annual accounts for 2020-21

Regulation 15(1) of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 (as amended) requires that Responsible Financial Officer of Marshfield Community Council sign and date the statement of accounts, and certify that it properly presents Marshfield Community Council’s receipts and payments for the year. The Regulations required that this be completed by 30 June 2021.

The Responsible Financial Officer has not signed and certified the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Responsible Financial Officer has been unable to fully prepare the accounts. The statement of accounts will be prepared and the Responsible Financial Officer will sign and certify the accounts on 13th July 2021

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 2021.

The Council has been unable to meet to approve the accounts as the Responsible Financial Officer has not yet prepared the accounts.