CLEVELAND FIRE AUTHORITY

COMPLETION OF AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

In accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 para 10 2 (a) notice is hereby given that the Audit of the Authority's Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2020 cannot be concluded before the 30th November, 2020 deadline.

The Authority's accounts were passed to the external auditors Mazars on the 19th June, 2020. Mazars had completed their audit by the end of September. However, they are unable to sign off the Authority's accounts as there are outstanding issues in relation to the Teesside Pension Fund auditor assurance which Mazars require to complete the audit.

The Statement of Accounts which was presented at the Cleveland Fire Authority meeting on the 16th October 2020 is available <u>here</u>.

The outstanding issues will not impact on the Authority's usable reserves or budget position in the current or future years.

Dated this 30th November 2020.

Mr C Little, Treasurer of Cleveland Fire Authority, c/o Hartlepool Borough Council, Civic Centre, Victoria Road, Hartlepool, TS24 8AY. Victoria Road, Hartlepool TS24 8AY.