Closure of Accounts 2021/22 – High Level Closure Timetable

Weekly Review

Progress against the closure plan will be reviewed weekly by the Senior Manager Accountancy and the Group Accountant Corporate Accounting.

Key Dates for Closure Timetable

Prior to Year End

	2020/21 Planned	2020/21 Actual	2021/22 Planned	2021/22 Actual
December (Q3) monitoring report to Cabinet	18 th March	18 th March	17 th March	17 th March
Briefing on closedown to Audit & Assurance Committee	11 th March	11 th March	24 th March	24 th March

Closure of Accounts

	2020/21 Planned	2020/21 Actual	2021/22 Planned	2021/22 Actual
Key feeder systems and control accounts reconciled	31 st March	31 st March	1 st April	1 st April
Capital entries completed by directorates	8 th April	8 th April	10 th April	19 th April
Capital outturn completed	12 th April	12 th April	14 th April	26 th April
Directorate ledger signed off by Directorate Group Accountants and provisional outturn reports to Corporate Accounting	16 th April	21 st April	21 st April	27 th April
Briefing on closedown for Chair and Vice Chair of Audit & Assurance Committee	20 th April	20 th April	TBC	N/A
All working papers and analytical review from directorates completed and submitted for peer review.	30 th April	6 th May	27 th April	29 th April
Cabinet outturn report circulated to CMT	12 th May (CMT), Cabinet TBC	CMT 12 th May	29 th April (CMT 4 th May, Cabinet 9 th June)	6 th May (CMT 11 th May, Cabinet 9 th June)
Briefing on closedown for Chair and Vice Chair of Audit & Assurance Committee	18 th May	18 th May	5 th May	Cancelled - briefing note circulated
Cabinet outturn report circulated for Cabinet Briefing	19 th May		11 th May (Meeting 19 th May)	13 th May
Capital accounting completed	14 th May	12 th May	14 th May	19 th May
Receive Cumbria County Holdings Ltd group accounts for consolidation	14 th May	12 th May	20 th May	20 th May
Cabinet outturn report published	10 th June meeting cancelled	10 th June meeting cancelled	26 th May (Meeting 9 th June)	30 th May

	2020/21 Planned	2020/21 Actual	2021/22 Planned	2021/22 Actual
Draft Statement of Accounts completed for review by Senior Manager - Accountancy	4 th June	8 th June	6 th June	10 th June
Draft Statement of Accounts to Director of Finance for first review	11 th June	11 th June	9 th June	23 rd June
Ongoing review of Draft Statement of Accounts	4 th June – 18 th June	4 th June – 18 th June	10 th June – 20 th June	10 th June to 29 th June
Briefing on closedown for Chair and Vice Chair of Audit & Assurance Committee	15 th June	14 th June	17 th June	Cancelled – verbal update 9 th June
Updated Draft Statement of Accounts to Director of Finance and Chair of Audit Committee	22 nd June	18 th June & 25 th June	22 nd June	27 th June
Council outturn report published (meeting 23 rd June)	17 th June	Meeting cancelled	15 th June	No report to Council for 2021/22 outturn.
Sign off unaudited Statement of Accounts by Director of Finance	28 th June	1 st July	29 th June	29 th June
Unaudited Statement of Accounts published on Council website	30 th June	1 st July	30 th June	
Unaudited Statement of Accounts to Grant Thornton	30 th June	1 st July	30 th June	
Final completed working papers to Grant Thornton	30 th June	1 st July	30 th June	
Unaudited WGA return submitted to DLUHC and Grant Thornton	30 th June	Still outstanding, DLUHC/HMT haven't circulated return	TBC	

LGPS Accounts

	2020/21 Planned	2020/21 Actual	2021/22 Planned	2021/22 Actual
Accruals uploaded to General Ledger	30 th Apr	30 th Apr	30 th Apr	30 th Apr
Cut-off for updated valuation of Alternative investments	17 th May	17 th May	17 th May	17 th May
Updated Draft Statement of Accounts to Director of Finance	24 th May		24 th May	Review undertaken by Senior Manager – completed 31 st May
Sign off of unaudited Statement of Accounts by Director of Finance	26 th May	1 st July	26 th May	
Final completed working papers to Grant Thornton	7 th June		7 th June	Will meet revised deadline requested by GT (30 th June)

<u>Audit</u>

	2020/21 Planned	2020/21 Actual	2021/22 Planned	2021/22 Actual
Briefing on closedown for Chair and Vice Chair of Audit & Assurance Committee	TBC	No meeting	29 th July	
External Audit work	July / August / September	July / August / September	July / August / September	
Receive first draft Audit Findings Report from Grant Thornton	15 th September	20 th September	15 th September	
Briefing on closedown for Audit & Assurance Committee	Mid September	23 rd September	Mid September	
Finalise audit adjustments (if any) to the Statement of Accounts	Mid September	17 th September	Mid September	
Finalise report to Audit & Assurance Committee on the Statement of Accounts	Mid September	22 nd September	Mid September	
Audit & Assurance Committee reports published	17 th September	22 nd September	17 th September	
Audit & Assurance Committee meeting to receive Grant Thornton Audit Findings Report	27 th September (provisional)	27 th September	27 th September	
Receive audit opinion from Grant Thornton	30 th September	30 th September	30 th September	
Publish statutory accounts on website	30 th September	1 st October	1 st October	
Final audited WGA submitted to DLUHC	30 th September	Still outstanding, DLUHC/HMT haven't circulated return	TBC	