

Explanatory Statement In Respect of 2018/19 AGAR Part 3, Section 1, Item 4

Exercise of Electors Rights

In their review of the Board's 2017/18 Accounting Statements, PKF Littlejohn commented that:

- the period for the exercise of public rights did not include the first 10 working days of July as required; and that
- as a result in 2018/19, Item 4 of Section 1 of the AGAR should be answered with a negative.

The initial issue arose from a period of key staffing changes taking place at a critical period in 2018.

The matter was duly reported to Board, and the undertaking given that the item would be properly addressed in 2019.