SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Notice of Delay in Publication of Unaudited 2024/25 Statement of Accounts and in the Commencement of the Public Inspection Period

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Pursuant to the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, notice is hereby given that the Council has not:

- 1. published the draft Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025 by the statutory deadline of 30th June, and
- 2. commenced the period for the exercise of public inspection because the Statement of Accounts is not ready for publication.

The relevant legislation can be viewed on legislation.gov.uk:

- The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015
- The Accounts and Audit (Amendment) Regulations 2024
- Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

The council will publish a draft set of accounts as soon as reasonably practicable, following which the period for the exercise of public inspection will commence.

Alex Thompson

Executive Director of Finance and Transformation (Section 151 officer)

30th June 2025