PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Supporting information re: Assertion 4 of the Annual Governance Statement 2023/24

The authority has answered ‘no’ to Assertion 4 of the Annual Governance Statement for 2023/24 as they did not comply with Regulation 15 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015. They failed to make proper provision for the exercise of public rights since the period of public rights did not include the first 10 working days of July. The reason for this is due to the Clerk/RFO being on bereavement leave during this time. The Chairman made PKF LittleJohn aware of the situation.

Upon return to work in September 2023, the Clerk completed the AGAR and it was approved and signed at a meeting of the Parish Council on 13th September 2023. The Authority published the Notice of Public Rights and Publication of Unaudited Annual Governance & Accountability Return on 13th September 2023.