

Statement of Board Assurance

Indicative Wholesale Tariffs 2020/21

The Board has considered the Indicative Wholesale Tariffs 2020/21 document at its meeting held on 5th September 2019. The Board considered relevant supporting materials and made appropriate enquiries of the Executive Team, in particular the Regulation and Strategy Director, and of Jacobs (Helen Twelves) who had been engaged to provide external assurance.

Having made reasonable and relevant enquiries the Board is able to confirm that, to the best of our understanding, the charges contained in Dŵr Cymru's Indicative Wholesale Tariff 2020/21 document are in compliance with the various legal obligations to which the company is subject under the Water Industry Act 1991 (as modified) and other relevant legislation, taken as a whole.

We can confirm that appropriate steps have been taken to ensure that the information on which the document is based is generally accurate within reasonable levels of tolerance. The document and the required additional information have been prepared by experienced staff using appropriate processes and internal systems of control and have accordingly been prepared to a standard that could be reasonably expected of a diligent undertaker.

Having regard to the 'Wholesale charging rules issued by the Water Services Regulation Authority under sections 66E and 117I of the Water Industry Act 1991 published on 20 December 2018, we are of the opinion that our indicative charges are consistent with these requirements, taking the wholesale charging rules as a whole using the best available information at this time.

The Board has been given relevant information on the effects the indicative charges have on customers occupying eligible premises and can confirm that there are no customers expected to be subject to wholesale bill increases exceeding 5%.

The company has engaged with CCWater in a timely and effective manner in respect of the Indicative Wholesale Tariffs. The engagement timetable is shown in the table below.

Alastair Lyons Chairman

On behalf of the Board 5th September 2019

Charges engagement with CCWater Wales

Date	Purpose	Outcome
9 July	Inform CCWater of the content of the "Scope of changes" publication	No issues raised
		Scope of changes published on website 12th July 2019
23 August	Inform CCWater of the draft Indicative wholesale tariffs for 2020/21 and invite comments.	
29 August	Returned first draft of CCWater charges pro-forma	Discussed extra information that would be available to inform engagement before tariffs are finalised
4 September	Quarterly liaison meeting – discussion on indicative wholesale tariffs	CCWater understand there is no impact on customers and that customers would see bills reduced.