ANNUAL STATEMENT TO MEMBERS 2019 ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY CHIEF EXECUTIVES AND SENIOR MANAGERS

STATEMENT TO MEMBERS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH THE UNION'S ANNUAL RETURN FOR PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 32A OF TRADE UNION AND LABOUR RELATIONS (CONSOLIDATION) ACT 1992

Income and Expenditure

The total income of the union for the period was £151,586. This amount included payments of £151,211 in respect of membership income of the union. The union's total expenditure for the period was £115,393.

Political Fund

In respect of the union's political fund, its total income was £NIL and total expenditure was £NIL. ALACE does not have a political fund.

Salary paid to and other benefits provided to the General Secretary

ALACE does not employ a full time Secretary. All the officers of the Association give their services voluntarily.

Irregularity statement

A member who is concerned that some irregularity may be occurring, or have occurred, in the conduct of the financial affairs of the union may take steps with a view to investigating further, obtaining clarification and, if necessary, securing regularisation of that conduct.

The member may raise any such concern with such one or more of the following as it seems appropriate to raise it with: the officials of the union, the trustees of the property of the union, the auditor or auditors of the union, the Certification Officer (who is an independent officer appointed by the Secretary of State) and the police.

Where a member believes that the financial affairs of the union have been or are being conducted in breach of the law or in breach of the rules of the union and contemplates bringing civil proceedings against the union or responsible officials or trustees, he should consider obtaining independent legal advice.

Auditor's report

The Association's auditors, Dutchmans, have reported on the annual accounts as attached.

Auditor's report (continued)

We have audited the accounts of the Association of Local Authority Chief Executives for the year ended 31 December 2019 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The Council members are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the accounts in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the accounts sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of:

whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the entity's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed;

the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made; and the overall presentation of the accounts.

In our opinion:

the accounts give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate; and

have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the sections 28, 32 and 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992; and

proper accounting records with respect to its transactions and its assets and liabilities have been kept; and

a satisfactory system of control has been established and maintained of its accounting records, its cash holding and all its receipts and remittances.

In our opinion the information given in this return for the year ended 31 December 2019 is consistent with the accounts

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N.B. When notes to the account are referred to in the auditor's report a copy of those notes must accompany this return.