**Invitation to Comment:**

Call for comments on [DRAFT] Endorsement Criteria Assessment: Annual improvements and narrow-scope amendments *(published in May 2020 with an effective date of 1 January 2022)*

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| **Deadline for completion of this Invitation to Comment:**  **Close of business 18 November 2021**  **Please submit to:** [**UKEndorsementBoard@endorsement-board.uk**](mailto:UKEndorsementBoard@endorsement-board.uk) |

**Introduction**

The objective of this Invitation to Comment is to obtain input from stakeholders on the endorsement and adoption of a set of six Amendments to international accounting standards published by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) in May 2020, with an effective date of 1 January 2022 with earlier application permitted, (the ‘May 2020 Amendments’).

The May 2020 Amendments are comprised of three Annual Improvements amendments (from the IASB’s *Annual Improvements to IFRS® Standards 2018–2020*) and three Narrow-Scope amendments.

The **Annual Improvements amendments** covered in this assessment are:

* Amendments to IFRS 1 *First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards*—Subsidiary as a First-time Adopter.
* Amendments to IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*—Fees in the ‘10 per cent’ Test for Derecognition of Financial Liabilities.
* Amendments to IAS 41 *Agriculture*—Taxation in Fair Value Measurements.

The **Narrow-Scope amendments** covered in this assessment are:

* Amendments to IAS 16 *Property, Plant and Equipment*—Proceeds before Intended Use.
* Amendments to IAS 37 *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*—Onerous Contracts—Cost of Fulfilling a Contract.
* Amendments to IFRS 3 *Business Combinations*—Reference to the Conceptual Framework.

**UK endorsement and adoption process**

The requirements for UK endorsement and adoption are set out in the Statutory Instrument 2019/685[[1]](#footnote-2).

The delegation of the powers to formally adopt international accounting standards for use in the UK was delegated to the UK Endorsment Board in May 2021[[2]](#footnote-3).

The information collected from this Invitation to Comment is intended to help with the endorsement assessment. This will form part of the work necessary for potential UK endorsement and adoption of the May 2020 Amendments.

**Who should respond to this Invitation to Comment?**

Stakeholders with an interest in the quality of accounts that apply IFRS.

**How to respond to this Invitation to Comment**

Please download this document, answer any questions on which you would like to provide views, and return to [**UKEndorsementBoard@endorsement-board.uk**](mailto:UKEndorsementBoard@endorsement-board.uk) by close of business on **18 November** **2021.**

**Brief responses providing views on individual questions are welcome, as well as comprehensive responses to all questions.**

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Part B: Assessment against endorsement criteria

Our initial assessment concludes that:

* the May 2020 Amendments meet the criteria of relevance, reliability, comparability and understandability required of the financial information needed for making economic decisions and assessing the stewardship of management, as required by SI 2019/685 (see Regulation 7(1)(c));
* application of the May 2020 Amendments is not contrary to the principle that an entity’s accounts/consolidated accounts must give a true and fair view as required by SI 2019/685 (see Regulation 7(1)(a));
* that the May 2020 Amendments are likely to be conducive to the long term public good in the UK as required by SI 2019/685 (see Regulation 7(1)(b)), including that:
* will generally improve financial reporting;
* will lead to benefits that exceed the costs; and
* is not likely to have an adverse effect on the economy of the UK, including on economic growth.

Our assessment of each of the **Annual Improvements** **amendments** is set out in **Appendix 1** of this DECA in the pages indicated below:

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|  | **Amendments to IFRS 1** | **Amendments to IFRS 9** | **Amendments to IAS 41** |
| Rationale for the Amendments | pages 5–6 | page 8 | page 10 |
| Assessment against technical criteria | pages 6–7 | pages 8–9 | pages 10–11 |
| True and fair view | pages 6–7 | page 9 | page 11 |
| UK lond term public good | page 7 | page 9 | page 11 |

Our assessment of each of the **Narrow-Scope amendments** is set out in **Appendix 2** of this DECA in the pages indicated below:

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|  | **Amendments to IAS 16** | **Amendments to IAS 37** | **Amendments to IFRS 3** |
| Rationale for the Amendments | pages 12–13 | pages 16–17 | pages 19–20 |
| Assessment against technical criteria | pages 13–14 | page 17 | page 20 |
| True and fair view | page 14 | page 17 | page 20 |
| UK long term public good | pages 14–15 | pages 17–18 | pages 20–21 |

1. Do you have any comments relating to our description of ‘not contrary to the true and fair view requirement’ in paragraph 16 of the DECA?

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1. Do you agree with these assessments against the technical criteria? (please select one option)

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| **Yes** |  | **No** |  |

1. Please include any comments you may have in response to question 2:

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1. Do you agree with these assessments against UK long term public good? (please select one option)

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| **Yes** |  | **No** |  |

1. Please include any comments you may have in response to question 4:

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Thank you for completing this Invitation to Comment

1. The International Accounting Standards and European Public Limited-Liability Company (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2019/685/made> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. The International Accounting Standards (Delegation of Functions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2021/609/contents/made> [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. These policies can be accessed from the footer in the UKEB website here: [**https://www.endorsement-board.uk**](https://www.endorsement-board.uk) [↑](#footnote-ref-4)