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Dear Pat Kenny,

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial statements of the South Ayrshire Integration Joint Board ('the entity') for the year ended 31 March 2020 for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the entity as of 31 March 2020 and of the results of its operations, other comprehensive net expenditure and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the applicable accounting framework as interpreted by the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom.

In addition to the above, this representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the other information in the annual report, for the purposes set out in the Code of Audit Practice 2016.

We are aware that it is an offence to mislead an auditor of a public body.

On behalf of the entity, I confirm as Chief Finance Officer, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the following representations.

Financial statements

1. We understand and have fulfilled our responsibilities for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework, as set out in the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom, which give a true and fair view, as set out in the terms of the audit engagement letter.
2. Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value and assessing the impact of Covid-19 on the entity are reasonable. We have made sufficient and appropriate disclosure of the general increased estimation uncertainty arising from the impact of Covid-19.
3. Related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of IAS24 "Related party disclosures".
4. All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements and for which the applicable financial reporting framework requires adjustment of or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed. The impact of Covid-19 has been considered a non-

adjusting event given the timing of the outbreak of the epidemic in the United Kingdom.

5. There are no uncorrected misstatements and disclosure deficiencies.
6. We confirm that the financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis and disclose in accordance with IAS 1 all matters of which we are aware that are relevant to the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, including principal conditions or events and our plans. We do not intend to cease operations as we consider we have realistic alternatives to doing so. We are not aware of any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. We confirm the completeness of the information provided regarding events and conditions relating to going concern at the date of approval of the financial statements, including our plans for future actions.
7. We have recorded or disclosed, as appropriate, all liabilities, both actual and contingent.

Information provided

8. We have provided you with all relevant information and access as agreed in the terms of the audit engagement letter with Audit Scotland.
9. All transactions have been recorded and are reflected in the financial statements and the underlying accounting records.
10. We acknowledge our responsibilities for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud and error. We are not aware of any deficiencies in internal control of which you should be aware.
11. We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
12. We have disclosed to you all information in relation to fraud or suspected fraud that we are aware of and that affects the entity or group and involves:
 - (i) management;
 - (ii) employees who have significant roles in internal control; or
 - (iii) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.
13. We have disclosed to you all information in relation to allegations of fraud, or suspected fraud, affecting the entity's financial statements communicated by employees, former employees, analysts, regulators or others.
14. We are not aware of any instances of non-compliance, or suspected non-compliance, with laws, regulations, and contractual agreements whose effects should be considered when preparing financial statements.
15. We have disclosed to you the identity of the entity's related parties and all the related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
16. All known actual or possible litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements have been disclosed to you and accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework. No other claims in connection with litigation have been or are expected to be received.

17. We have no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying value or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.
18. We confirm that:
 - (i) we consider that the entity has appropriate processes to prevent and identify any cyber breaches other than those that are clearly inconsequential; and
 - (ii) we have disclosed to you all cyber breaches of which we are aware that have resulted in more than inconsequential unauthorised access of data, applications, services, networks and/or devices.
19. All minutes of Board and Committee meetings during and since the financial year have been made available to you.
20. We have drawn to your attention all correspondence and notes of meetings with regulators.
21. We confirm that all of the disclosures relating to sections of the annual report which are considered 'other information' as set out in the Code of Audit Practice 2016 have been prepared in accordance with relevant legislation and guidance.
22. I confirm that I have appropriately discharged my responsibility for the regularity of transactions.

We confirm that the above representations are made on the basis of adequate enquiries of management and staff (and where appropriate, inspection of evidence) sufficient to satisfy ourselves that we can properly make each of the above representations to you.

Yours faithfully

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Lisa Duncan

Chief Finance Officer for and on behalf of the South Ayrshire Integrated Joint Board.