

Audit of accounts year ended 31 March 2022

Notice of the commencement of the period for the exercise of public rights

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, paragraphs 14 – 15

Accounts and Audit (Amendment) Regulations 2021

The council's accounts are subject to external audit by Ernst & Young, One Cambridge Business Park, Cowley Road, Cambridge, CB4 0WZ.

Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process. The period of exercise of public rights commences at 10am on 29 June 2022 and will conclude at 4pm on 9 August 2022. During this period, between 10am and 4pm on working days Monday to Friday:

1. Any person may inspect the accounts of the council for the year ended 31 March 2022 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts). They may also make copies of the accounts and documents. Application should be made initially in writing to the Director (Resources and Property) at the address below.
2. A local government elector for the area of the council, or his or her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address above to make arrangements to ask any questions and send a copy of any questions to the council at the address below.
3. A local government elector for the area of the council, or his or her representative, may object to the council's accounts asking that the auditor issue a report in the public interest or apply for a declaration that an item in the accounts is unlawful under section 28 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. Written notice of a proposed objection and the grounds on which it is made must be sent to the auditor at the address given above and copied to the council at the address given below.

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