

Dover District Council

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022 NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic the Secretary of State gave local authorities more flexibility with regard to the requirement for the public inspection period to include the first 10 working days of June. Under the Accounts and Audit (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 this requirement was removed.

In accordance with the amended regulations, notice is hereby given under Regulation 15(2)(b) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 that from 6 May 2024 to 17 June 2024 between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on weekdays any person may inspect, and make copies of the accounts and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other related documents of the Council for the year ended 31st March 2022, as stipulated in Section 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. The accounts and other documents will be available for inspection at White Cliffs Business Park, Dover, Kent, CT16 3PJ by prior arrangement. Please email finance@dover.gov.uk to make an appointment. The accounts are available at [Accounts and Budgets \(dover.gov.uk\)](https://www.dover.gov.uk/Accounts-and-Budgets).

During this period, a local government elector for any area to which the accounts relate, or their representative, may question the auditor about the accounts, or make an objection to the accounts as set out in sections 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. Any objection, and the grounds on which it is made, must be sent to the auditor in writing, with a copy to Mike Davis, Strategic Director (Finance and Housing), Council Offices, White Cliffs Business Park, Dover, Kent, CT16 3PJ. Any objection must state the grounds on which the objection is being made and particulars of:

- i) any item of account which is alleged to be contrary to law; and
- ii) any matter in respect of which it is proposed that the auditor could make a public interest report under section 24 of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 7 to, the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

Objections should be addressed to Grant Thornton UK LLP at 30 Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1AG.

A guide to your rights can be found at <https://www.nao.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Council-accounts-a-guide-to-your-rights.pdf>

Mike Davis
Strategic Director (Finance and Housing)
Council Offices, White Cliffs Business Park, Dover, Kent, CT16 3PJ

Dated: 24 April 2024