

**HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2017 – NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS**

**LOCAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT 2014 SECTION 26
ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REGULATIONS 2015 PART 5**

The Council's accounts are subject to external audit by Neil Harris of Ernst & Young LLP, One Cambridge Business Park, Cambridge CB4 0WZ.

The Public Inspection Period will commence from Monday 12th June to Friday 21st July 2017 inclusive (except Saturdays and Sundays) between 10am and 4pm.

Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process. During the Inspection Period:

1. Members of the public may inspect the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31st March 2017 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts)
2. Members of the public may make copies of all or any part of those records or document
3. Local government electors for the area of the Council, or their representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts

Certain restrictions are in place however, including protection of commercially sensitive documents and / or documents containing personal information.

During the Inspection Period, local government electors, or their representatives, also have a right to make an objection to the local auditor subject to the following:

1. The objection concerns a matter in respect of which the auditor could issue a report in the public interest; or could apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law (under Sections 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014);
2. The objection is made in writing to the Auditor using the contact details below
3. A copy of the objection is sent to the Council using the contact details below

To make arrangements to inspect the accounts for the Council for the year ended 31st March 2017 please contact Mr Waqaas Munir at the Council (details below).

To make arrangements to ask the auditor questions about the accounts please contact the auditor (details below) directly.

Dated: 5 June 2017
K P Pettitt, Chief Legal Officer

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