

WEST OF ENGLAND COMBINED AUTHORITY
AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2020

NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

Notice is hereby given under Regulation 15(2)(b) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 that from 10th August 2020 to 18th September 2020, between 9:00am and 5:00pm on weekdays (4:30pm on Fridays), any person may inspect, and make copies of the accounts and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other related documents of the West of England Combined Authority for the year ended 31st March 2020, as stipulated in Section 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. The normal public inspection period would usually commence at the beginning of June however due to COVID we have had to depart from normal practice. The accounts and other documents will be available for inspection at 3 Rivergate, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6EW by prior arrangement. Please telephone 0117 428 6210 to make an appointment. The accounts will also be available at:

<https://www.westofengland-ca.gov.uk/financial-information/>

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 the Chief Finance Officer, 3 Rivergate, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6EW. 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 the auditor, Grant Thornton UK LLP, at 2 Glass Wharf, Temple Quay, BRISTOL BS2 0ZX

A guide to your rights can be found at <https://www.nao.org.uk/code-audit-practice/wp-content/uploads/sites/29/2015/03/Council-accounts-a-guide-to-your-rights.pdf>

7th August 2020

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