

LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 March 2020 – EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, sections 26 - 27
Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, Regulations 14 & 15
Accounts and Audit (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 Regulation 2

The draft statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020 has been published on the Council's website at <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/finances-budgets/statement-accounts>. The Statement of Accounts document available contains the following:

- The Statement of Accounts
- The Narrative Report
- The Annual Governance Statement

The Statement of Accounts, The Narrative Report and Annual Governance Statement are unaudited and therefore the Statement of Accounts as published may be subject to change.

The Council's accounts are subject to external audit by Mark Surridge, for and on behalf of Mazars LLP, Park View House, 58 The Ropewalk, Nottingham NG1 5DW.

From 02 July 2020 to 12 August 2020, members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process:

1. Between the hours of 10am and 4pm any person may inspect the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31 March 2020 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts). Applications should be made by email to Finance@lincolnshire.gov.uk

We will endeavour to supply all information electronically, but please note that with social distancing requirements and staff currently working from home due to the Covid-19 pandemic, there may be delays in accessing documents and providing electronic copies.

2. A local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may ask the local auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given above to make arrangements to ask any questions.
3. A local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her

representative, may make an objection to the auditor relating to any matter in respect of which the auditor could make a public interest report, and/or apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law (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 me at the address given below or emailing Finance@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

Dated: 01 July 2020

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