

LONDON BOROUGH OF HILLINGDON AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023 LOCAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT 2014 ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REGULATIONS 2015

As a result of national delays in relation to the external audit of the 2021/22 Statement of Accounts, there has been a delay in the publication of the draft 2022/23 accounts.

In consultation with the external auditor, the requirement to prepare the draft accounts by 31 May 2023 will not be satisfied. The draft accounts will therefore be available on Friday 10 November.

Notice is hereby given that the accounts of the London Borough of Hillingdon, in respect of the financial year ended 31 March 2023, will be available for public inspection as set out below.

- 1. From 10th November 2023 to 21st December 2023 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday, any person interested may inspect the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31st March 2023 and all related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) at the address given below. They may also make copies of the accounts and documents; for which the Council may make a charge for costs incurred.
- 2. From 10th November 2023 to 21st December 2023 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may question the Auditor about the accounting records of the Council.
- 3. From 10th November 2023 to 21st December 2023, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may raise an objection to the Council's accounts. Any such elector or their representative objecting to the accounts may ask the Auditor to issue a report in the public interest or apply for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful under section 28 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. Written notice of the proposed objection and the grounds on which it will be made must be sent to the auditor at the address given below and also copied to the Council.

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Further information relating to the Council's accounts and the public inspection can be found on the Council's website at

https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/article/9052/Statement-of-accounts

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