

THE CHIEF CONSTABLE OF HAMPSHIRE

AUDIT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE CHIEF CONSTABLE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Sections 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and Regulations 14 and 15 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015:

- 1 From 16 June to 27 July 2020 inclusive, any local government elector or any journalist on application to the Chief Finance Officer to the Chief Constable (on behalf of the Chief Constable), via email to budget@hants.gov.uk, may inspect the accounting records for the financial year ended 31 March 2020 and may inspect and make copies of all or any books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other documents relating to those records. Due to coronavirus restrictions, it will not be possible to do this in person, so the applicant will need to provide an email address for documents to be sent to.
- 2 From 16 June to 27 July 2020 inclusive, the Auditor, at the request of any local government elector for the area to which the accounts relate, will give the elector (or their representative) an opportunity to question them about the accounts, and any such elector (or their representative) may contact the Auditor and make objections as to any matter in respect of which the Auditor could take action under Section 28 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (namely, the declaration that an item of account is unlawful), or could make a report in the public interest under Schedule 7 of the 2014 Act. Due to coronavirus restrictions, it will not be possible to do this in person, so other methods of contact such as email will be needed.
- 3 No objection may be made unless the Auditor has previously received written notice of the proposed objection stating the facts on which the local government elector relies, the grounds upon which the objection is being made and particulars of any such objection. Such notice should be addressed to Kevin Suter, Ernst & Young LLP, Grosvenor House, Grosvenor Square, Southampton, SO15 2BE (ksuter@uk.ey.com). Copies of such notices must also be sent to the Chief Finance Officer, c/o The Castle, Winchester, SO23 8UB (budget@hants.gov.uk).

Richard Croucher
Chief Finance Officer to the Chief Constable

The Castle
Winchester
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