

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**  
**AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 2022/2023 – NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS**

LOCAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT 2014  
THE ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REGULATIONS 2015

Notice is given that the unaudited statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 will be published on the council's website by 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023. The statement of accounts will be unaudited and may be subject to change.

Notice is given that from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 to 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023 on weekdays between 10am and 4pm, any person interested may, on reasonable notice, inspect and make copies of the accounts of the council for the year ended 31 March 2023.

All books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts may be inspected and copies made, with the exception of any record or document containing information which is protected on the grounds of commercial confidentiality or contains personal information (or enables a particular individual to be identified), as per sections 26(4) to 26(6) of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

Initial application for inspection or any enquiries regarding the accounts should be emailed to [InformationGovernanceTeam@northlincs.gov.uk](mailto:InformationGovernanceTeam@northlincs.gov.uk).

Notice is given that from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 to 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023 the auditor, at the request of a local government elector for the council's area, will give the elector or his representative an opportunity to question him about the accounts.

Notice is given that from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 to 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023, any such elector may make objections to the auditor, under section 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, relating to any matter where the auditor could take action under:

- Section 28 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, namely, to apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law, and/or
- Section 24 and paragraph 1 of Schedule 7 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, namely, to make a report in the public interest.

No objection may be made unless the auditor has previously received written notice of the proposed objection, specifying the facts on which the objector relies and the grounds on which the objection is being made. A copy of that written notice must also be sent to the Council at the address below.

Notice is given that the local auditor is Mark Kirkham, for and on behalf of Mazars LLP, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 3 Wellington Place, Leeds, LS1 4AP, to whom any questions and notices of objection should be addressed.

A comprehensive 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>

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