

IPSWICH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Notice of the Commencement of the Period for the Exercise of Public Rights

**The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014
The Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015
Accounts and Audit (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020**

Notice is given that the unaudited statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020 will be published on the Council's website by 31 August 2020. The statement of accounts is unaudited and may be subject to change.

Notice is given that from 28 August 2020 to 9 October 2020, on working days Monday to Friday between the hours of 9.30am and 4.30pm, any person interested may inspect and make copies of the accounts of Ipswich Borough Council for the year ended 31 March 2020 and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating to them, except as provided for in Section 26(4) to 26(6) of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 in relation to commercially confidential and personal information. The accounts and other documents would normally be available for inspection on application to the Operations Manager Finance and Procurement, Grafton House, 15-17 Russell Road, Ipswich IP1 2DE, however, due to the Coronavirus pandemic, there is limited public access to Council offices and all enquiries in relation to the inspection of the accounts should be directed to Treasury.Management@ipswich.gov.uk.

Notice is given that from 28 August 2020 to 9 October 2020, 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 28 August 2020 to 9 October 2020, 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 auditor is Debbie Hanson, Ernst & Young LLP, 400 Capability Green, Luton, Bedfordshire LU1 3LU, to whom any questions and notices of objections should be addressed.

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