



**Audit of Accounts – Notice of Public Rights
UNDER THE LOCAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT 2014 AND THE ACCOUNTS
AND AUDIT REGULATIONS 2015**

The council's draft accounts, and the draft accounts of the Pension Fund administered by the council for the financial year 2023/24 has been certified by the Chief Finance Officer and is available on the Council's website:

https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/downloads/download/33/statement_of_accounts

The accounts are unaudited and may be subject to change. The public inspection period is from 22nd November 2024 to 3rd January 2025 between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. Mondays to Fridays. Any person interested may inspect the accounts of the council for the year ended 31 March 2024 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) 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. To inspect the accounts / documents please send your request and make an appointment with the finance department by sending an email to CSCenquiries@hounslow.gov.uk.

From 22nd November 2024 to 3rd January 2025, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his / her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given below to make arrangements to ask any questions.

From 22nd November 2024 to 3rd January 2025, 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 Mark Surridge at Mazars LLP, 30 Old Bailey, London, EC4M 7AU, to whom any questions and notices of objection should be addressed.

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Date: 21 November 2024