

WATERINGBURY PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS AND PUBLICATION OF UNAUDITED ANNUAL RETURN

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

**Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Sections 26 and 27
The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234)**

NOTICE

1. Date of announcement: 28th June 2024

2. Each year the body's annual return needs to be reviewed by an external auditor appointed by the by the Audit Commission. The unaudited Annual Return has been published with this notice. As it has yet to be reviewed by the appointed auditor, it is subject to change as a result of that review.

Any person interested has the right to inspect and make copies of the accounting records for the financial year to which the audit relates and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts, and other documents relating to those records must be made available for inspection by any person interested. For the year ended 31 March 2024 these documents will be available on reasonable notice by application to:

Stephen Hill, Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Tel: 07860 721924

E-mail: clerk@wateringburypc.org.uk

commencing on: **Monday 1st July 2024**

and ending on: **Friday 9th August 2024**

3. Local government electors and their representatives also have:

- The opportunity to question the auditor about the accounting records; and
- The right to make an objection which concerns a matter in respect of which the appointed auditor could either make a public interest report or apply to the court for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the auditor and a copy sent to the body.
- The appointed auditor can be contacted at the address in paragraph 4 below for this purpose between the above dates only.

4. The smaller authority's Annual Return is subject to review by the appointed auditor under the provisions of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 and the NAO's Code of Audit Practice 2015. The appointed auditor is:

Mazars LLP, The Corner, Bank Chambers, 26 Mosley Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 1DF

Email: local.councils@mazars.co.uk

5. This announcement is made by Stephen Hill, Clerk & RFO to Wateringbury Parish Council.

End of Notice