

LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM

Audit of Accounts – Notice of Public Rights

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015

NOTICE is given that the unaudited statement of accounts (excluding the AGS) for the year ended 31 March 2026 has been published on the Council's website at:

[Lewisham Council - Our annual statement of accounts and notices](#)

The statement of accounts is unaudited and may be subject to change.

Under the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (as amended) the public inspection period for the accounts and related documents must commence on the first working day following publication of the unaudited accounts and must include the first 10 working days of July.

This notice provides details of the 30 working days during which you may inspect the accounts and certain related documents.

NOTICE is given that from 16 June 2026 to at least 27 July 2026 (the final date to be determined as 30 working days after the AGS has been added to the draft Statement of Accounts) any person interested may inspect the accounts of London Borough of Lewisham for the year ended 31 March 2026 on the Council's website. On reasonable notice they may request access to all 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. Application should be made initially at the email address: CoreAccountingTeam@lewisham.gov.uk

NOTICE is given that from 16 June 2026 to at least 27 July 2026 (the final date to be determined as 30 working days after the AGS has been added to the draft Statement of Accounts) the auditor, at the request of a local government elector for the Council's area, will give the elector or their representative an opportunity to question them about the accounts.

NOTICE is given that from 16 June 2026 to at least 27 July 2026 (the final date to be determined as 30 working days after the AGS has been added to the draft Statement of Accounts), a local government elector for the area may make an objection 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 stating:

- the grounds on which the objection is being made; and
- the facts relied upon.

A copy of that written notice must also be sent to the Council.

NOTICE is given that the auditor is KPMG LLP (UK), 15 Canada Square, Canary Wharf, LONDON E14 5GL, direct dial +44 (0)20 7311 1000, to whom any questions and notices of objection should be addressed.