North of Tyne Combined Authority

Audit of Accounts - Notice of Public Rights

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 and the Local Audit (Public Access to Documents) Act 2017

In line with the above legislation, notice is given that the unaudited Statement of Accounts, Narrative Statement and Annual Governance Statement for the year ended 31 March 2023 will be available on the Combined Authority's website for inspection as determined below.

Notice is given that from 11 September to 23 October 2023 between 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Mondays to Fridays, any local government elector, journalist or citizen journalist interested may on reasonable notice inspect and make copies of the accounts of the above named Authority for the year ended 31 March 2023 and 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. The accounts and other documents will be available for inspection at the offices at which they are normally kept, or otherwise by arrangement; application should be made initially at the address below.

Notice is given that from 11 September 2023 to 23 October 2023 any such local elector of North of Tyne Combined Authority or his representative may under Section 26 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 question the auditor about the financial records for the year ended 31 March 2023. However, only a local elector registered on the electoral register may under Section 27 of the Act, make an objection to the auditor 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 at the address below, specifying the facts on which the objector relies and the grounds on which the objection is being made.

Mr Gavin Barker, Mazars LLP, The Corner, Bank Chambers, 26 Mosley Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 1DF or via email at Durham.Admin@mazars.co.uk

A copy of that written notice must also be sent to the Combined Authority at the address below:

Janice Gillespie, Chief Finance Officer, North of Tyne Combined Authority The Lumen, St James Boulevard, Newcastle Helix, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 5BZ If users of assistive technology have problems reading these files, we are happy to help, please email NTCA Finance Katherine.Laing@northoftyne-ca.gov.uk