

LONDON BOROUGH OF LAMBETH

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS – NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

THE LOCAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT 2014, THE ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REGULATIONS 2015 AND THE ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2024

NOTICE is given that the draft statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 will be published on the Council's website at the following link:

<https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/about-council/transparency-open-data/financial-information/statement-accounts>.

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

NOTICE is given that for a further 30 days from 01 December 2025 to 14 January 2026 between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm Mondays to Fridays, any person interested or any journalist (any person who produces for publication journalistic material, whether paid to do so or otherwise) may inspect the accounts of the above named Council for the year ended 31 March 2025 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 of 2014 in relation to commercially confidential and personal information. Requests should be made to PublicInspection@lambeth.gov.uk and further details can be found in the Council's Public Inspection Protocol which accompanies this notice.

NOTICE is given that for a further 30 days from 01 December 2025 to 14 January 2026, an elector for the council's area may question the auditors about the accounts or make objections to the auditor, under sections 26 and 27 of 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 counts 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 FORVIS MAZARS LLP, 30 Old Bailey, London, EC4M 7AU to whom any questions and notices of objection should be addressed.

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