## THE COUNTY OF HEREFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

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

Notice is hereby given under Regulation 15(2)(b) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 that from 1 June 2024 to 12 July 2024 inclusive between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. on weekdays any person may inspect, and make copies of the accounts and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other related documents of the abovenamed body for the year ended 31 March 2024, as stipulated in Section 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. The accounts and other documents will be available for inspection at offices at which they are normally kept by prior arrangement. Application should be made initially to Mr Andrew Lovegrove, Director of Resources and Assurance and Section 151 Officer (see contact details below). The accounts will also be available on the Herefordshire Council website .

During this period, a local government elector for any area to which the accounts relate, or their representative, may question the auditor about the accounts, or make an objection to the accounts as set out in sections 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. Any objection, and the grounds on which it is made, must be sent to the auditor in writing, with a copy to Mr Andrew Lovegrove, Director of Resources and Assurance and Section 151 Officer (see address below). Any objection must state the grounds on which the objection is being made and particulars of:

- i) any item of account which is alleged to be contrary to law; and
- ii) any matter in respect of which it is proposed that the auditor could make a public interest report under section 24 of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 7 to, the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

Objections should be addressed to the auditor, Ms Grace Hawkins, Key Audit Partner, Grant Thornton UK LLP, 2 Glass Wharf, Bristol. BS2 0EL.

A guide to your rights can be found on the National Audit Office website

The accounts issued on 31 May 2024 are unaudited and may be subject to change.

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