

## **Audit of Accounts 2023/24**

### 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 any person who is interested in inspecting requested accounts may do so by emailing [neil.cross@essex-fire.gov.uk](mailto:neil.cross@essex-fire.gov.uk) Your enquiry will be dealt with between 10am and 4pm from 15 August 2024 to 25 September 2024.

During this period, a local government elector for any area to which the accounts relate, 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 the Chief Finance Officer at the Essex County Fire & Rescue Service Headquarters, Kelvedon Park, London Road, Kelvedon, Essex CM8 3HB, or by email to [neil.cross@essex-fire.gov.uk](mailto:neil.cross@essex-fire.gov.uk). Any objection must state the grounds on which the objection is being made and particulars of:

1. Any item of account which is alleged to be contrary to law; and
2. 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:

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