ST. HELENS BOROUGH COUNCIL

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS, YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 The Accounts and Audit (Amendment) Regulations 2021

NOTICE is given that from 25 July 2025 to 5 September 2025 inclusive, between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. on weekdays, any person interested may inspect the accounts and other related documents of St. Helens Borough Council for the year ended 31 March 2025. The accounts and other documents will be available for inspection at the offices at which they are normally kept, or otherwise by prior arrangement. Application should be made initially to the Corporate Services Department, Town Hall, St. Helens (telephone 01744 673228– direct line). A copy of the draft, pre-audited, accounts is available to inspect on the St Helens Borough Council website (<u>Click Here</u>).

In accordance with Sections 26 and 27 of the Act, during this period Local Government Electors for the area may exercise their rights to question the appointed Auditor about, or make objections as to, any matter in respect of which the Auditor could take action or could make a report in the public interest. Any questions under the Act or any objection, and the grounds upon which it is made, must be sent to the Auditor in writing, with a copy to myself at the address below.

The Auditor is Michael Green, Grant Thornton UK LLP, Landmark, St Peter's Square, 1 Oxford Street, Manchester, M1 4PB (telephone 0161 953 6382).

A guide to your rights can be found at the National Audit Office website (here).

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