

# STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

**NOTICE** is given that from 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 – 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024 any person interested may on application to Staffordshire County Council, Staffordshire Place, Stafford, ST16 2LP between the hours of 9.00 am and 5.00 pm, Monday to Friday, inspect and make copies of the accounts of the **STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL** for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating thereto, except as provided for in Section 26(4) and 26(6) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (as amended in 2022) in relation to commercially confidential and personal information.

**NOTICE** is also given that from 9.00 am on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 until 5pm on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given below to make arrangements to ask any questions.

**NOTICE** is given that from 9.00 am on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 until 5pm on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024, any such elector or his representative may make objections to the auditor, under Section 27 of the 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 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, 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 above.

**NOTICE** is given that the auditor is Mr. R. Lee, KPMG LLP, 1 St Peter's Square, Manchester, M2 3AE, to whom any questions and notices of objection should be addressed.

Dated 29<sup>th</sup> May 2024