

NEWARK TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE OF DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PERIOD FOR THE EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No.234)
The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

NOTICE

1. Date of announcement 23rd JUNE 2017

2. Sections 26 and 17 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 provide for:

- **Inspection: Any persons interested** may inspect and make copies of the Annual Return and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts etc. relating to them. For the year ended 31 March 2017 these documents will be available during the period specified in paragraph 4 on reasonable notice on application to the person in paragraph 3 below.
- **Questions and objections** to the external auditor: Local Government **electors** and their representatives have rights to:
 - question the auditor about the accounting records and:
 - object to the accounts or any item in them. Written notice of an objection must be given to the external auditor and a copy sent to the Authority. Objections must concern a matter of which the external auditor could make a public interest report or apply for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful.

The auditor can be contacted at the address in paragraph 5 below for this purpose.

3. Person to which you can apply to inspect the accounts

Name: ALAN MELLOR

Position: TOWN CLERK

Address: TOWN HALL, MARKET PLACE, NEWARK NG24 1DU

Tel no: 01636 684801 Email: alan.mellor@newark.gov.uk

4. Any rights of inspection, objection, and questioning of the auditor may only be exercised with a single period of 30 working days: (Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, Regulation 15 (1))

commencing on 26th JUNE 2017 2017

and ending on 4th AUGUST 2017 2017

5. Your appointed auditor is:

Grant Thornton UK LLP (for the attention of Mark Heap)
Royal Liver Building, Liverpool L3 1PS Tel: 0151 224 7200

For more detailed guidance on electors' rights and the special powers of auditors, copies of the publication Council Accounts – A Guide to Your Rights are available from the National Audit Office website.