

Notice of Public Rights at Audit

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

Notice is hereby given under the above regulations that the unaudited statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026 are now published on the Council's website.

From Wednesday 1 July to Tuesday 11 August 2026, any person may inspect the accounting records and related documents of the Council for the year ended 31 March 2026, as required under Section 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (The Act), except as provided for in Section 26 of The Act.

The accounts and other documents are available for inspection at the Customer Service Centre. Civic Centre, Paris Street, Exeter, EX1 1JN by prior arrangement or provided electronically.

Opening hours for inspection are:

Monday to Friday – 9am – 2pm

Saturday, Sunday & Bank Holidays – closed

Please contact the Accountancy Services Manager (nicola.morley@exeter.gov.uk) to make an appointment. Details will be requested of the records and documents that persons wish to inspect.

During this period local government electors for the area of Exeter City Council (or any representative of such and elector) may also exercise their rights under Sections 26 and 27 of the Act to question the auditor about or make objections to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026.

The Council's auditor is Grace Hawkins, for and on behalf of Grant Thornton UK LLP, 2 Glass Wharf, Bristol, BS2 0EL. During the inspection period, local electors have the following rights under the 2014 Act:

- To be given the opportunity to question the auditor about the accounting records (section 26 of the 2014 Act)
- To make an objection to the auditor which concerns a matter in respect of which the auditor could make a public interest report or could apply for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful (section 27 of the 2014 Act)

Note that section 27 requires written notice of a proposed objection and the grounds on which it is being made to be sent to the auditor and copied to the Council, at the address shown below:

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