

## Statement of Accounts 2022/23 - Public Inspection Notice

### **Notice of the Commencement of the Period for the Exercise of Public Rights The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (section 26 and 27) The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (Regulation 14 and 15)**

Notice is given that the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 has been published on the Authority's website. The Statement of Accounts is unaudited and based on Local Government Pension Scheme and Collection Fund estimates and may be subject to change.

Notice is given that the period for the exercise of public rights will commence at 9am on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 and will conclude at 4pm on the 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

The following documents will be made available during this period:

- The Statement of Accounts
- The Annual Governance Statement
- The Narrative Report

You can also see supporting documents including books, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts, and ask for copies of these or of the accounts. However the law does not give you a right to see documents which are protected by commercial confidentiality, or to see personal information relating to a particular individual.

The accounts are available online [here](#) and in person at Fire Service HQ, Oakroyd Hall, Bradford Road, Birkenshaw, BD11 2DY, by prior arrangement. Please telephone 01274 682311 to make an appointment.

During the public inspection period, council electors and their representatives can ask the approved auditor questions about the accounts or make objections to them. Please contact the approved auditor, with any questions or objections at the following address:

Deloitte LLP  
One Trinity Gardens  
Broad Chare  
Newcastle  
NE1 2HF

A local elector can make an objection to the auditor if they believe that;

- a) An item of the accounts is unlawful, or
- b) It is in the public interest that something should be considered by West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue or brought to the attention of the public.

If you want to object to the accounts, you can contact the approved auditor at the audit address provided above. Your objection must be in writing and must clearly set out the grounds on which you are objecting. You must also send a copy to the Chief Finance & Procurement Officer at the address given below.

Alison Wood  
Chief Finance & Procurement Officer

West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue,  
Oakroyd Hall,  
Bradford Road,  
Birkenshaw,  
BD11 2DY.

A guide to your rights can be found at <https://www.nao.org.uk/code-audit-practice/council-accounts-a-guide-to-your-rights>

If you have any queries regarding this notice please contact Emma Ayton by email at [Emma.Ayton@westyorkfire.gov.uk](mailto:Emma.Ayton@westyorkfire.gov.uk)