



**COTSWOLD  
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS**

**LOCAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT 2014 and THE ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT  
REGULATIONS 2015**

Notice is given under Regulation 15(2)(b) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 that from 9<sup>th</sup> October to 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023 between 9am and 4.30pm on weekdays any person may inspect, and make copies of the accounts and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other related documents of the Council for the year ended 31st March 2023, as stipulated in Section 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

The accounts and other documents will be available for inspection at the Council offices Trinity Road, Cirencester by prior arrangement. Please telephone 01285 620000 to make an appointment. The accounts will also be available on the Council's website at <https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/about-the-council/council-performance-and-spending/finance-and-expenditure>. The statement of accounts is unaudited and may be subject to change.

During this period, a local government elector for any area to which the accounts relate, or their representative, may question the auditor about the accounts, or make an objection to the accounts as set out in sections 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. Any objection, and the grounds on which it is made, must be sent to the auditor in writing, with a copy to the Interim Chief Finance Officer, David Stanley, at the address shown below.

Any objection must state the grounds on which the objection is being made and particulars of:

- i. any item of account which is alleged to be contrary to law; and
- ii. any matter in respect of which it is proposed that the auditor could make a public interest report under section 24 of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 7 to, the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

Objections should be addressed to the auditor, Grant Thornton UK LLP at

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2 Glass Wharf  
Bristol  
BS2 0EL

A guide to your rights can be found at <https://www.nao.org.uk/code-audit-practice/wp-content/uploads/sites/29/2015/03/Council-accounts-a-guide-to-your-rights.pdf>

Date: 29 September 2023

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