

GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

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Notice of the Completion of the Audit of the Annual Return for the Financial Year Ended 31st March 2018

Section 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 (SI 234)

1. In accordance with Regulation 13 and 16 of the Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015, notice is hereby given that the audit of the Council's accounts for the financial year ended 31st March 2018 has been concluded and the audited Annual Return has now been published.

2. Section 25 of The Local Audit and Accountability Act sets out the following rights of local government electors in relation to the inspection of the statements of accounts and auditors' reports of local authorities:-

A local government elector for the area of a body subject to audit, other than a health service body, may inspect and make copies of:-

- *the statement of accounts prepared by the Council;*
- *the auditor's certificate that the audit of the Council's accounts, including that statement, has been completed;*
- *the auditor's opinion on the statement of accounts;*
- *any public interest report relating to the authority or an entity connected with it;*
- *any recommendation relating to the authority or an entity connected with it.*

3. A copy of the audited Annual Return has been made available for inspection on the Finance Section of the Council's website at www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk.

4. The audited Annual Return is available for inspection by any local government elector of the parish of Great Aycliffe.

5. Any elector wishing to inspect the Accounts should make an appointment with the Finance Manager at the Town Council; Mr Dan Austin, who can be contacted by telephone on 01325 300700, or by email at Daniel.Austin@great-aycliffe.gov.uk. Appointments are available at the Council Offices between the hours of 9am and 3pm Monday to Friday.

6. Copies will also be provided to any local government elector on payment of £1 for each copy of the Annual Return.

Announcement made by: Mr Dan Austin C.P.F.A, Finance Manager

Date of announcement: 31st August 2018