STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 Publication of Stratford-on-Avon District Council Draft Statement of Accounts and Audit Opinion

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 – Regulation 15, as amended by The Accounts and Audit (Amendment) Regulations 2021, and by The Accounts and Audit (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 require the Council to publish the unaudited Statement of Accounts for the financial year ending 31 March 2023 and make these available for public inspection.

The publication of the unaudited Statement of Accounts 2022/23 has been delayed due to a combination of factors - resourcing within the Finance Team; changes to the reporting of Infrastructure assets within the Statement and delays in the completion of the audited accounts for 2020/21 & 2021/22.

Any local government elector, or their representative, may inspect the Council's accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 at the Council Offices (address below) from Thursday, 5 September 2024 to Wednesday, 16 October 2024 inclusive, between 10am and 2pm. Copies of the accounts, together with any relevant documents may be made, please ring to arrange access on 01789 260608.

It is noted that the Statement of Accounts is unaudited and that the Statement of Accounts as published may be subject to change.

Questions or Objections

The Appointed Auditor will not be available at the Council Offices (address below) this year. Any local government elector, or their representative, still has the opportunity to question, or object to him about the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 within the 30 working days stated above.

Objections can be made to the Appointed Auditor, Andrew Brittain, via email in the first instance to abrittain@uk.ey.com or in writing, together with the reasons, at the following address: Ernst & Young LLP, Apex Plaza, Forbury Road, Reading, RG1 1YE.

At the same time a copy of the objection must be sent to the Head of Resources and S151 Officer via email to richard.burrell@stratford-dc.gov.uk

Date: 4 September 2024

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