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Audit of Accounts: Year Ended 31st March 2011 Notice of Public Rights

**Audit Commission Act 1998 sections 15 - 16
Accounts and Audit Regulations 2011 Regulations 9, 10, 21, 22 and 23**

The Council's accounts are subject to external audit by the Auditor, Mr M Heap, Audit Commission, 2nd Floor, Aspinall House, Aspinall Close, Middlebrook, BL6 6QQ, telephone (01204) 877300. Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process.

From Tuesday 28th June 2011 to Monday 25th July 2011 between 10.00 a.m and 4.00 p.m any person may inspect the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31st March 2011 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) at the address given below. They may also make copies of the accounts and documents.

From 10.00 a.m on Tuesday 26th July 2011 until the conclusion of the audit process, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given above to arrange to ask any questions.

From 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday 26th July 2011 until the conclusion of the audit process, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may object to the Council's accounts asking that the auditor issue a report in the public interest (under section 8 of the Audit Commission Act 1998) and/or apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law (under section 17 of the Audit Commission Act 1998). Written notice of a proposed objection and the grounds on which it is made must be sent to the auditor at the address given above and copied to me at the address given below.

Dated: 4 June 2011

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