



Notice of Public Rights

Dorset Council

Audit of Accounts

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (Sections 25 to 28)
Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 (Regs. 9, 14 and 15)
The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015

Under the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 regulations 9 and 15, the commencement period for the exercise of public rights to inspect the draft 2025 to 2026 accounts and related documents, based on an account's completion date of 30 June 2026, should include the first 10 working days of July.

NOTICE is given that from **1 July 2026 to 11 August 2026 between 9.00am and 5.00pm** any person interested may inspect, and make copies of, the accounts of Dorset Council for the year ended 31 March 2026 and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating to those accounts. The accounts and other documents will be available for inspection at the offices at which they are normally kept, or otherwise by arrangement. Application should be made initially to the Head of Strategic Finance, County Hall, Colliton Park, Dorchester, Dorset, DT1 1XJ (corporatefinance@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk).

NOTICE is given that from **1 July 2026 to 11 August 2026 between 9.00am and 5.00pm** a local government elector or his/her representative for the area of the body to which the accounts relate, may question the relevant auditor about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address below to make arrangements to ask questions.

NOTICE is given that from **1 July 2026 to 11 August 2026 between 9.00am and 5.00pm** a local government elector or his/her representative for the area of the body to which the accounts relate, may make objections as to any matter in respect of which the auditor could take action under section 28 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (namely, an unlawful item of account), or could make a report in the public interest under Section 24 paragraph 1 of that Act.

Questions regarding Dorset Council may be received at County Hall, Dorchester, by arrangement with the auditor: Ms. J Masci, Grant Thornton LLP, 2 Glass Wharf, Bristol, BS2 0EL (email address Julie.masci@uk.gt.com).

An objection, and the grounds on which the elector relies, must be sent to the auditor in writing. A copy must be sent to Dorset Council at the address below.

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