

**SOUTHWARK BOROUGH COUNCIL
AUDIT AND INSPECTION OF ACCOUNTS 2017-18**

NOTICE OF THE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PERIOD FOR THE EXERCISE OF
PUBLIC RIGHTS
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

**The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015
The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014**

Notice is hereby given that the accounts of Southwark Council, in respect of the financial year ended 31 March 2018, are available for public inspection as set out below:

1. Sections 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 provide for:

- Any person interested has the opportunity to inspect and make copies of the Accounts and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts etc. relating to them. For the year ended 31 March 2018, these documents will be available on reasonable notice on application to the person in paragraph 2 below.

Local Government Electors and their representatives have rights to:

- question the auditor about the accounts; and
- object to the accounts for any item in them. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the Auditor and a copy sent to the Authority.

The Auditor can be contacted at the address in paragraph 4 below for this purpose.

2. Person to which you can apply to inspect the accounts:

Name: Duncan Whitfield, Strategic Director Finance and Governance

Address for correspondence:

Southwark Council, Finance and Governance, 2nd Floor, PO Box 64529 London
SE1P 5LX

Address for visitors: 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

The unaudited Statement of Accounts and draft Annual Governance Statement are available on the council's website <http://www.southwark.gov.uk>.

3. Any rights of inspection, objection, and questioning of the Auditor may only be exercised within a single period of 30 working days:

Commencing on: Friday **1 June 2018**

and ending on: Thursday **12 July 2018**

4. Your appointed Auditor is:

Paul Dossett, Partner

Grant Thornton LLP, Grant Thornton House, Elton Street, London NW1 2EP

Further guidance for electors has been published by the National Audit Office and can be found here: www.nao.org.uk/code-audit-practice/council-accounts-a-guide-to-your-rights