

WITHAM FOURTH DISTRICT INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD
NOTICE OF DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF THE PERIOD FOR
THE EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 [Regulation 15]

The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

1. Date of Announcement - 18 June 2016
2. Sections 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 provide for:
 - a. **Inspection:** Any person interested, may inspect and make copies of the Annual Return and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts etc. relating to them. For the year ended 31 March 2016 these documents will be available during the period specified in paragraph 3 below.
 - b. **Questions and objections** to the external auditor: Local Government elections and their representatives have rights to:
 1. question the auditor about the accounting records and;
 2. object to the accounts or any item in them. Written notice of an objection must be given to the external auditor and a copy sent to the Governing Authority. Objections must concern a matter of which the external auditor could make a public interest report or apply for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful.
3. Person to which you can apply to inspect the accounts:

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Chief Executive and Finance Officer
Witham Fourth District Internal Drainage Board
47 Northside Street
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[www.w4idb.co.uk](mailto:info@w4idb.co.uk)
4. Any rights of inspection, objection and questioning of the auditor may only be exercised within a single period of 30 working days (Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, Regulation 15.12)

Commencing on 18 June 2016

and Ending on 27 July 2016.

5. The appointed auditor is:

WSP Littlejohn LLP
1 Westbury Circus
London
EC4A 3DF

For more detailed guidance on elections' rights and the special powers of auditors, copies of the publication **Council Accounts – A guide to Your Rights** are available from the National Audit Office website.