

**WITHAM FOURTH DISTRICT INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS AND PUBLICATION OF UNAUDITED**  
**ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN**

**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2016 (SI 2016/234)**  
**The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (s26 and s27)**

**1. Date of announcement – 8 June 2022**

- 2. Each year the smaller authority's Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR)** needs to be reviewed by an external auditor appointed by the Local Authority Audit Commission. This un-audited AGAR has been published with this notice. As it has yet to be reviewed by the appointed auditor, this subject to any changes arising from that review.

Any person interested has the right to inspect and make copies of the accounting records for the financial year to which the audit relates and of books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other documents relating to those records that are made available for inspection by any person interested. For the period ended 31 March 2022, these documents will be available on reasonable notice by application to:

**Peter Salmons, CEO, 27 Norfolk Street, Boston, PE20 6PP, Tel: 01858 340000.**

commencing on **Monday 13 June 2022**

and ending on **Friday 29 July 2022**

**3. Local government elections and their representatives also have:**

- The opportunity to question the appointed auditor about the accounting records; and
- The right to make an objection which concerns a matter or aspect of which the appointed auditor could either make a public interest report or apply to the court for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the auditor and a copy sent to the above smaller authority.

The appointed auditor can be contacted at the address in paragraph 4 below for the purposes referred to in above items only.

- 4. The smaller authority's AGAR is subject to review by the appointed auditor under the provisions of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2016 and the ICAEW's Code of Audit Practice 2015. The appointed auditor is:**

**PAF Limited LLP (Ref: 0847 Years)**  
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Canary Wharf  
London E14 4WJ  
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- 5. This announcement is made by Peter Salmons, Chief Executive and Finance Manager.**

For more detailed guidance on election rights and the general powers of auditors, copies of the publication **General Guidance – A guide to Your Rights** are available from the National Audit Office website.