

**LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT
AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS – YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020
NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS**

**ACCOUNTS & AUDIT REGULATIONS 2015
LOCAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT 2014**

Notice is given that the unaudited statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020 has been published on the Council's website at www.brent.gov.uk/your-council/transparency-in-brent/performance-and-spending/budgets-and-finance/how-we-spend-your-money. The Council's accounts are unaudited and may be subject to change by the external auditor, Grant Thornton, 30 Finsbury Square, London. EC2A 1AG. Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process.

From 8 June 2020 to 17 July 2020 between 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Monday to Fridays, any person interested may on reasonable notice inspect and make copies of the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31 March 2020 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) at the address given below. Prior to any inspection please contact Ben Ainsworth, email address benjamin.ainsworth@brent.gov.uk Tel 020 8937 1731.

From 8 June 2020 to 17 July 2020 a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may ask the auditor, Sophia Brown, questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given above to make arrangements to ask any questions.

From 8 June 2020 to 17 July 2020 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 24 of the Local Audit & Accountability Act 2014) and/or apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law (under section 28 of the Local Audit & Accountability Act 2014). 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.

Where possible, the council will endeavour to facilitate inspection of the accounts online to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19. Any physical inspection of the accounts will need to be mindful of government legislation and guidance on social distancing. This does not affect your statutory rights.

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