



WORTHING BOROUGH
COUNCIL

Audit of Accounts - Year Ended 31st March 2026

Notice of Public Rights

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 and The Accounts and Audit (Amendment)

Regulations 2024

The Council's accounts are subject to external audit by Kevin Suter, Partner of Ernst & Young LLP, Grosvenor House, Grosvenor Square, Southampton, SO15 2BE. Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process:

1. From 1st July to 11th August 2026 between 9.30 a.m. and 4.00pm, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and bank holidays, any person may inspect the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31st March 2026 and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating thereto. The accounts are available online and other documents can be requested for inspections by phone, email, letter to the offices, or otherwise by arrangement. During this period, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given above to make arrangements to ask any questions.
2. From 1st July to 11th August 2026, 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 27 of the Local Audit and 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 and 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 the Council at the address given below.
3. The person to which you can apply to inspect the accounts:

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