



Date: 1 August 2022

**Lewes District Council - Statement of accounts**

**Public Inspection of the Lewes District Council unaudited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022.**

The draft Statement of Accounts for 2021/2022 has not been completed yet due to delays in the audit of the Council's 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 accounts.

The Council will not be able to start the exercise of public rights of inspection for the unaudited statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 in accordance with [Regulation 15, of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 \(SI 2015/234\)](#) as amended by the [Accounts and Audit \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SI 2021/263\)](#).

As per Regulation 15 (2a), this notification explains that the Council is unable to publish the draft statement of accounts for the year ending 31 March 2022 in line with the publication date of 31 July 2022. In accordance with Regulation 15 (2b), the Council is unable to set the period for the exercise of public rights. Council officers are continuing to work hard to ensure that the ongoing final audit work for 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 are completed and the draft statement of accounts for 2021/2022 is completed as soon as possible.

The Council will publish the draft statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 and a notice detailing the public inspection period as soon as possible.

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