

LONDON BOROUGH OF EALING NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS AT AUDIT

Delay to the Notice of the Commencement of the Period for the Exercise of Public Rights

The Council is required by The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 to present its Statement of Accounts for public inspection for a period of 30 days which must include the first 10 working days of June.

However, in recognition of the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the availability of finance staff resource to prepare the statement of accounts, The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has extended the statutory deadlines local authorities to approve and publish their accounts for the 2019/20 financial year.

The publication date for the unaudited Statement of Accounts has now moved to 31 August 2020 and audited Statement of Accounts to 30 November 2020. The Accounts and Audit (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 came into force on the 30 April 2020.

In addition, the requirement for the public inspection period to include the first 10 working days of June has been removed, instead local authorities must commence the public inspection period on or before the first working day of September 2020, meaning there is no requirement to wait for a common inspection period.

Notice of the commencement of the period for exercise of public rights (including the inspection of the accounts and associated documents) will be published on the Council's website in advance of the start date.

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