

COUNTY DURHAM AND DARLINGTON FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

LOCAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT 2014 (SECTION 26 AND 27)

ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2015 (REGULATION 9,
14 AND 15)

NOTICE is given pursuant to sections 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 that during the periods and times specified below: -

Wednesday 1st July 2026 to Tuesday 11th August 2026
between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

any person interested may inspect and make copies of the accounts of the County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Authority for the year ended 31st March 2026 and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating to them. The accounts and other documents will be available for inspection at the offices of the Treasurer, County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Authority, Belmont Business Park, Durham, DH1 1TW.

NOTICE is also given that during this period, the Auditor, at the request of a local government elector of the area to which the accounts relate, will give the elector or his representative an opportunity to question him about the accounts, and that any such elector or his representative may attend before the Auditor and make such objections as to any matter in respect of which the Auditor could take action under Section 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (namely an unlawful item of account, failure to bring a sum into account, or a loss or deficiency caused by wilful misconduct), or could make a report in the public interest.

Questions may be received at Forvis Mazars LLP, The Corner, Bank Chambers, 26 Mosley Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, NE1 1DF, by arrangement with the Director, Mr. J. Collins of Forvis Mazars LLP, to whom requests for this purpose should be addressed. No objection may be made unless the Auditor has received written notice of the proposed objection and the grounds on which it is to be made. A copy of the notice must also be sent at the same time to the Treasurer, County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Authority, Belmont Business Park, Durham, DH1 1TW.

H. Bradley

Clerk to the Fire and Rescue Authority