

Surrey Heath Borough Council

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2023/24 Draft Statement of Accounts

Update

Council has published its unaudited annual accounts covering the period I April 2023 to 31 March 2024. The external audit of the 2023/24 unaudited Statement of Accounts starts on 1st October 2024.

The Chief Finance Officer of the Council is required to certify that these accounts represent a true and fair view of the accounting transactions of the Council over the period the accounts relate to and are free from material error.

In order for the Chief Finance Officer to gain assurance that the Unaudited Statement of Accounts for 2023/24 presents such view of the Council's finances, the following processes have taken place:

- The accounts have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as updated by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance Accountants (CIPFA) Code of practice and using their guidance notes for completion.
- The Council has employed qualified accountants including specialist final accounts support to compile these accounts.

- Specialist areas such as valuations and the Collection Fund have been produced in conjunction with external specialist in the appropriate discipline.
- The pension transactions and reserves have been produced using third party actuarial reports from the Pension Fund.

It is anticipated that the audit will be completed in line with the Government backstop dates.

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(designated as Chief Finance Officer under s.151 of the Local Government Act 1972)