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Completion of the Audit of the Council's Accounts for 2011/12

In accordance with Regulation 11 of the Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011, I hereby give notice of the conclusion of the annual audit of the Council's Statement of Accounts for 2011/12 by the Audit Commission and the availability of the Accounts for inspection by local government electors.

Section 14 of the Audit Commission Act 1998 sets out the following rights of local government electors in relation to the inspection of statements of accounts and auditors' reports:-

A local government elector for the area of a body subject to audit, other than a health service body, may:

- *inspect and make copies of any statement of accounts prepared by the body;*
- *inspect and make copies of any report, other than an immediate report, made to the body by an auditor; and*
- *require copies of any such statement or report to be delivered to him/her on payment of a reasonable sum for each copy.*

Any elector wishing to inspect the Accounts should telephone the Council Offices on 02380 832398 to make an appointment. Appointments are available at the Council Offices between the hours of 9am and 4pm Monday to Friday.

In addition a full copy of the Statement of Accounts has also been made available for inspection on the Council's website at

<http://www.southampton.gov.uk/council-partners/decisionmaking/soa/draftstatementofaccounts2011-12.aspx>

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