



**THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR STAFFORDSHIRE
THE CHIEF CONSTABLE OF STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE**

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS

**Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 – Section 26, 27 and 28
Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 – Regulations 9, 14 and 15
The Accounts and Audit (Amendment) Regulations 2022**

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Staffordshire and Staffordshire Police are both committed to openness, honesty and transparency.

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (“the 2015 Regulations”) set out detailed requirements on a relevant authority (defined in section 2(1) of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014), in relation to its annual audit and accounting processes.

1. From 3rd June 2024 to 12th July 2024 people may, on application to the Office of the PCC (by emailing PFCC@staffordshire.pfcc.gov.uk, ringing 01785 232270 or writing to P O Box 3167, Stafford ST16 9JZ) between the hours of 9am and 4.30pm Monday to Friday, any person may inspect the accounts of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Staffordshire (group and single entity accounts) and the Chief Constable of Staffordshire Police The accounts will also be available for view at [Finance - Staffordshire Commissioner \(staffordshire-pfcc.gov.uk\)](https://www.staffordshire-pfcc.gov.uk/finance)
2. **Sections 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 provide for:**
 - Any person interested has the opportunity to inspect and make copies of the Annual Return and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts etc. relating to them. For the year ended 31st March 2024, these documents will be available on reasonable notice on application to the person in paragraph 3 below.
 - Local Government Electors and their representatives have rights to:
 - Question the auditor about the accounts: and
 - Object to the accounts for any item in them. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the Auditor and a copy sent to the Authority.
 - The Auditor can be contacted at the address in paragraph 5 below for this purpose.

Questions may be received at the address above for the attention of the Section 151 Officer, (by arrangement with the External Auditor, Paul Grady, Azets, Regis House, 45 King William St, London, EC4R 9AN) to whom requests for this purpose should be addressed. No objection may be made unless the auditor has previously received written notice of the proposed objection and its grounds. A copy of this notice must be sent to the Office of the PCC at the above address.

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