

**DERBYSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY**  
**DEFERRAL OF AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 2019/20**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS**

**Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, Regulations 14 & 15**  
**Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Regulations 26, 27 & 28**

**As amended by:**  
**The Accounts and Audit (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020**

Due to the current Covid-19 pandemic the timescales included in the above legislation have been amended.

Under the existing regulations the inspection period for the accounts must include the first 10 working days of June. During this time any person may inspect the annual accounts of Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Authority including certain related supporting documents. Provision is also made for any local government elector, for the area of the Fire & Rescue Authority, to ask the auditor questions about the accounts on an appointed day. The inspection period and appointed day are published in advance by Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Authority.

To give authorities more flexibility, the requirement for the public inspection period to include the first 10 working days of June has been removed. Instead, for 2019/20, authorities must commence the public inspection period on or before the first working day of September 2020. In line with these revised regulations the inspection period for the 2019/20 Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Authority accounts will be published at a later date.

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