

# Annual Internal Audit Report 2025/26

## RUFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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During the financial year ended 31 March 2026, this authority's internal auditor acting independently and on the basis of an assessment of risk, carried out a selective assessment of compliance with the relevant procedures and controls in operation and obtained appropriate evidence from the authority.

The internal audit for 2025/26 has been carried out in accordance with this authority's needs and planned coverage. On the basis of the findings in the areas examined, the internal audit conclusions are summarised in this table. Set out below are the objectives of internal control and alongside are the internal audit conclusions on whether, in all significant respects, the control objectives were being achieved throughout the financial year to a standard adequate to meet the needs of this authority.

| Internal control objective                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Yes | No* | Not covered**  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|----------------|
| A. Appropriate accounting records have been properly kept throughout the financial year.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | ✓   |     |                |
| B. This authority complied with its financial regulations, payments were supported by invoices, all expenditure was approved and VAT was appropriately accounted for.                                                                                                                                                                                        | ✓   |     |                |
| C. This authority assessed the significant risks to achieving its objectives and reviewed the adequacy of arrangements to manage these.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | ✓   |     |                |
| D. The precept or rates requirement resulted from an adequate budgetary process; progress against the budget was regularly monitored; and reserves were appropriate.                                                                                                                                                                                         | ✓   |     |                |
| E. Expected income was fully received, based on correct prices, properly recorded and promptly banked; and VAT was appropriately accounted for.                                                                                                                                                                                                              | ✓   |     |                |
| F. Cash payments were properly supported by receipts, all cash expenditure was approved and VAT appropriately accounted for.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |     | ✓   |                |
| G. Salaries to employees and allowances to members were paid in accordance with this authority's approvals, and PAYE and NI requirements were properly applied.                                                                                                                                                                                              | ✓   |     |                |
| H. Asset and investments registers were complete and accurate and properly maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | ✓   |     |                |
| I. Periodic bank account reconciliations were properly carried out during the year.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ✓   |     |                |
| J. Accounting statements prepared during the year were prepared on the correct accounting basis (receipts and payments or income and expenditure), agreed to the cash book, supported by an adequate audit trail from underlying records and where appropriate debtors and creditors were properly recorded.                                                 | ✓   |     |                |
| K. If the authority certified itself as exempt from a limited assurance review in 2024/25, it met the exemption criteria and correctly declared itself exempt. (If the authority had a limited assurance review of its 2024/25 AGAR tick "not covered")                                                                                                      |     |     | ✓              |
| L. The authority published the required information on a website/webpage up to date at the time of the internal audit in accordance with the relevant legislation.                                                                                                                                                                                           | ✓   |     |                |
| M. In the year covered by this AGAR, the authority correctly provided for a period for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations (during the 2025/26 AGAR period, were public rights in relation to the 2024-25 AGAR evidenced by a notice on the website and/or authority approved minutes confirming the dates set). |     | ✓   |                |
| N. The authority has complied with the publication requirements for 2024/25 AGAR (see AGAR Page 1 Guidance Notes).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |     | ✓   |                |
| O. The authority has complied with laws, regulations & proper practices relating to digital and data compliance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |     | ✓   |                |
| P. (For local councils only)<br>Trust funds (including charitable) – The council met its responsibilities as a trustee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Yes | No  | Not applicable |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |     |     | ✓              |

For any other risk areas identified by this authority adequate controls existed (list any other risk areas on separate sheets if needed).

Date(s) internal audit undertaken

Name of person who carried out the internal audit

30/06/2026

Crossley & Davis Accountants

Signature of person who  
carried out the internal audit

Crossley & Davis

Date

30/06/2026

\*If the response is 'no' please state the implications and action being taken to address any weakness in control identified (add separate sheets if needed).

\*\*Note: If the response is 'not covered' please state when the most recent internal audit work was done in this area and when it is next planned; or, if coverage is not required, the annual internal audit report must explain why not (add separate sheets if needed).

## Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2025/26

We acknowledge as the members of:

RUFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2026, that:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Agreed                              |                          | 'Yes' means that this authority:                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Yes                                 | No                       |                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 1. We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.                                                                                                                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.                                                                                               |
| 2. We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.                                                                                                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.                                                                     |
| 3. We have assured ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.                                                                                     |
| 4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.                                                                                                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts.                                                               |
| 5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.                                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.                                                                                          |
| 6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.                                                                                                                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority. |
| 7. We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.                                                                                                                                                                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.                                                                                                           |
| 8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.                                           |
| 9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.  | Yes                                 | No                       | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                     |
| 10. We have put in place arrangements for the effective IT and data management in accordance with proper practices during the year under review.                                                                                                                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | has made suitable arrangements for its IT and data management and has complied with proper practices in doing so.                                                                       |

\*Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each 'No' response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:

18 05 2026

and recorded as minute reference:

P650/1885/2026

Signed by the Chair and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:

Chair   
Clerk 

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## Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2025/26 for

### RUFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

|                                                             | Year ending           |                       | Notes and guidance                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                             | 31 March<br>2025<br>£ | 31 March<br>2026<br>£ |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 1. Balances brought forward                                 | 27,953                | 64,609                | Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value <b>must</b> agree to Box 7 of previous year.                                                       |
| 2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies                          | 38,862                | 39,952                | Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.                                                                                 |
| 3. (+) Total other receipts                                 | 37,239                | 20,810                | Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.                                                                   |
| 4. (-) Staff costs                                          | 8,213                 | 9,685                 | Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments. |
| 5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments                     | 4,605                 | 4,421                 | Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).                                                                                      |
| 6. (-) All other payments                                   | 26,627                | 51,056                | Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cash-book less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).                                                                     |
| 7. (=) Balances carried forward                             | 64,609                | 60,210                | Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. <b>must</b> equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).                                                                                                                |
| 8. Total value of cash and short term investments           | 64,609                | 60,210                | The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – <b>To agree with bank reconciliation.</b>                                              |
| 9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets | 108,003               | 125,198               | The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.                                                                      |
| 10. Total borrowings                                        | 14,915                | 11,186                | The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).                                                                                                        |

  

| For Local Councils Only                                                              | Yes | No                                  |                                                                       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 11 Do the figures in the accounting statements above exclude any trust transactions? |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | For guidance refer to the Practitioners' Guide sections 2.31 to 2.33. |

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2026 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

**Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval.**



Date 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

as recorded in minute reference:

1923/2026

**Signed by Chair of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved**



## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Rufford Parish Council**  
County area (local councils and parish meetings only)

**Insert figures from Section 2 of the AGAR in all Blue highlighted boxes**

**Next, please provide full explanations, including numerical values, for the following that will be flagged in the green boxes where relevant:**

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- a breakdown of approved reserves on the next tab if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value (Box 2).

|                                                           | 2024/25<br>£ | 2025/26<br>£ | Variance<br>£ | Variance<br>% | Explanation<br>Required? | Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input. <b>DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES</b>   | Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 Balances Brought Forward                                | 27,953       | 64,609       |               |               |                          | Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 2 Precept or Rates and Levies                             | 38,862       | 39,952       | 1,090         | 2.80%         | NO                       |                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 3 Total Other Receipts                                    | 37,239       | 20,810       | -16,429       | 44.12%        | YES                      |                                                                                                 | Income down by Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy of £17,890 (down from £29,500 to £17,890) and the increase of VAT reclaim up by £1,534 (from £3,843 to £5,377).                                                                                                                |
| 4 Staff Costs                                             | 8,213        | 9,685        | 1,472         | 17.92%        | YES                      |                                                                                                 | One month extra in this accounts that should have been in last year (timing difference) and increase in monthly cost.                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment                         | 4,605        | 4,421        | -184          | 4.00%         | NO                       |                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 6 All Other Payments                                      | 26,627       | 51,060       | 24,439        | 91.78%        | YES                      |                                                                                                 | Increase in due to purchase of fixed assets of £21,498 (£17,195+vat) (see FA below). Donations have increased by £1,732. There were election charges of £2,783. Village Hall cost have reduced by £1,749 as there was an upgrade last year to the toilets and dance floor costing £2,226. |
| 7 Balances Carried Forward                                | 64,609       | 60,210       |               |               | NO                       | VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments                   | 64,609       | 60,210       |               |               |                          | VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and | 105,053      | 125,198      | 17,195        | 15.92%        | YES                      |                                                                                                 | Installation of Play Boat (£4,500). Installation of 3 bus Shelters (£12,695)                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 10 Total Borrowings                                       | 14,315       | 11,186       | -3,729        | 25.00%        | YES                      |                                                                                                 | Loan is reducing faster as the term decreases, as expected                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

**Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable**

**Variances of £200 or less are tolerable**

# RUFFORD PARISH COUNCIL FIXED ASSET REGISTER

| Description                                   | Date acquired | Location Held | Book Value<br>£   |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Assets carried forward from previous register |               |               | 7,354.00          |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2013</u>               |               |               |                   |
| Asset values carried forward                  |               |               | <u>7,354.00</u>   |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2014</u>               |               |               |                   |
| Asset values carried forward                  |               |               | <u>7,354.00</u>   |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2015</u>               |               |               |                   |
| Computer                                      | 2015          |               | 339.00            |
| Printer                                       | 2015          |               | 56.00             |
| Value at 31 March 2015                        |               |               | <u>7,749.00</u>   |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2016</u>               |               |               |                   |
| Picnic Table                                  | 2016          |               | 620.00            |
| Blowing Machine                               | 2016          |               | 85.00             |
| Value at 31 March 2016                        |               |               | <u>8,454.00</u>   |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2017</u>               |               |               |                   |
| Park Gates                                    | 2017          |               | 1,450.00          |
| Value at 31 March 31 March 2017               |               |               | <u>9,904.00</u>   |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2018</u>               |               |               |                   |
| Value at 31 March 2018                        |               |               | <u>9,904.00</u>   |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2019</u>               |               |               |                   |
|                                               |               |               | 9,904.00          |
| Dog bins/signage                              | 2019          |               | 923.00            |
| Value at 31 March 31 March 2019               |               |               | <u>10,827.00</u>  |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2020</u>               |               |               |                   |
|                                               |               |               | 10,827.00         |
| Display Boards                                | 2020          |               | 317.00            |
| Lockable Display Boards                       | 2020          |               | 1,494.00          |
| Value at 31 March 2020                        |               |               | <u>12,638.00</u>  |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2021</u>               |               |               |                   |
| Value at 31 March 2021                        |               |               | <u>12,638.00</u>  |
| <u>Year Ended 31 March 2022</u>               |               |               |                   |
| Multi Use Games Area                          |               |               | 53,000.00         |
| Value at 31 March 2022                        |               |               | <u>65,638.00</u>  |
| Multi Use Games Area                          |               |               | 34,000.00         |
| Value at 31 March 2023                        |               |               | <u>99,638.00</u>  |
| Fencing                                       |               |               | 7,700.00          |
| lights                                        |               |               | 605.00            |
| Wheelbarrow                                   |               |               | 60.00             |
| Value at 31 March 2024                        |               |               | <u>108,003.00</u> |
| <u>Value at 31 March 2025</u>                 |               |               | <u>108,003.00</u> |
| Bus Shelters                                  |               |               | 12,695.00         |
| Playboat                                      |               |               | 4,500.00          |
| Value at 31 March 2026                        |               |               | <u>125,198.00</u> |

Rufford Parish Council  
Year ended 31st March 2026

Santander Business Account  
60837870

|                                 |                  |                 |                                                |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------------------|
| bal b/f 01/04/2025              |                  | 56200.81        |                                                |
| Receipts                        |                  | 60,677.67       |                                                |
| Interest received               |                  | 0               |                                                |
| Transfers                       |                  |                 |                                                |
| Payments                        |                  | -65161.61       |                                                |
| Closing balance 31/03/2026      |                  | <u>51716.87</u> |                                                |
| Balance per statement 31/3/2026 |                  | 52133.27        |                                                |
| Less Unpresented Items          |                  |                 |                                                |
|                                 | 22503 23/04/2020 | -40             |                                                |
|                                 | 22516 18/03/2021 | -72             |                                                |
|                                 | 22718 18/09/2023 | -9              | chq was £9 short, £1200.60 instead of £1209.60 |
|                                 | 22890 07/11/2025 | -89             |                                                |
|                                 | 22913 17/02/2026 | -132            |                                                |
|                                 | 22918 16/03/2026 | -74.4           | cleared 1/4/26                                 |
| Closing Balance 31/3/2026       |                  | <u>51716.87</u> |                                                |

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Year ended 31st March 2026

Santander Savings Account 60858024

|                            |                |                       |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| bal b/f 01/04/2025         | 8432.14        |                       |
| Interest received          | 84.72          |                       |
| Closing balance 31/03/2026 | <u>8516.86</u> | Agrees with statement |

**Bank Reconciliation**

**Rufford Parish Council**

**Financial Year Ended 31 March 2025**

**BANK RECONCILIATION**

Balance per bank statements as at 31 March 2026

|                                        | £                 | £                 |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Santander 60837870                     | 51,716.87         |                   |
| Santander 60858024                     | 8,516.86          |                   |
|                                        | <u>          </u> | £60,233.73        |
| <u>Unreconciled difference 2017-18</u> | 25.34             |                   |
|                                        | <u>          </u> | £25.34            |
| Net balances as at 31 March 2026       |                   | <u>£60,208.39</u> |

**CASH BOOK**

|                               |                    |       |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Opening balance 1 April 2026  | £64,607.61         |       |
| Add: Receipts in the year     | £60,762.39         |       |
| Less: Payments in the year    | <u>-£65,161.61</u> |       |
| Closing balance per cash book | <u>£60,208.39</u>  | £0.00 |

Smaller authority name:

Rufford Parish Council

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ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN**

**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026**

**Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Sections 26 and 27  
The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234)**

| NOTICE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | NOTES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <p>1. Date of announcement Monday 20th July 2026</p> <p>2. Each year the smaller authority's Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) needs to be reviewed by an external auditor appointed by Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments Ltd. The unaudited AGAR has been published with this notice. As it has yet to be reviewed by the appointed auditor, it is subject to change as a result of that review.</p> <p>Any person interested has the right to inspect and make copies of the accounting records for the financial year to which the audit relates and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other documents relating to those records must be made available for inspection by any person interested. For the year ended 31 March 2026, these documents will be available on reasonable notice by application to:</p> <p>(b) <u>KEVIN EW NEWSHAM BSc (Vet)</u><br/><u>Clerk / PO 7 HOLMESWOOD ROAD</u><br/><u>RUFFORD CLERK @ Rufford and Holmeswood -</u><br/><u>PC.gov.uk</u></p> <p>commencing on (c) Tuesday 21st July 2026</p> <p>and ending on (d) Monday 31st August 2026</p> <p>3. Local government electors and their representatives also have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The opportunity to question the appointed auditor about the accounting records; and</li><li>• The right to make an objection which concerns a matter in respect of which the appointed auditor could either make a public interest report or apply to the court for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the auditor and a copy sent to the smaller authority.</li></ul> <p>The appointed auditor can be contacted at the address in paragraph 4 below for this purpose between the above dates only.</p> <p>4. The smaller authority's AGAR is subject to review by the appointed auditor under the provisions of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 and the NAO's Code of Audit Practice 2024. The appointed auditor is:</p> <p>PKF Littlejohn LLP (Ref: SBA Team)<br/>30 Churchill Place<br/>London E14 5RE<br/>(<a href="mailto:sba@pkf-l.com">sba@pkf-l.com</a>)</p> <p>5. This announcement is made by (e) <u>KEVIN EW NEWSHAM BSc (Vet)</u><br/><u>Clerk / PO Rufford Parish Council</u></p> | <p>(a) Insert date of placing of the notice which must be not less than 1 day before the date in (c) below</p> <p>(b) Insert name, position and address/telephone number/ email address, as appropriate, of the Clerk or other person to which any person may apply to inspect the accounts</p> <p>(c) Insert date, which must be at least 1 day after the date of announcement in (a) above and exactly 30 working days before the date appointed in (d) below</p> <p>(d) The inspection period between (c) and (d) must be 30 working days inclusive and must include the first 10 working days of July.</p> <p>(e) Insert name and position of person placing the notice - this person must be the responsible financial officer for the smaller authority</p> |