Notice of Inspection and Audit of Accounts 2010/11

Each year, the Joint Committee’s Accounts are independently audited. Any person interested has the opportunity to inspect the accounts and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) and, where appropriate, can obtain a copy of relevant documents.

For the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2011, these documents will be available at:

- **Guildhall 2**
  - High Street
  - Kingston upon Thames
  - KT1 1EU

between 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m., Monday to Friday, from Monday 4th July 2011 up to and including Friday 29th July 2011.

Anyone wishing to inspect the accounts should first apply to the Environmental Services Accountancy Section, at the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames, on 020 8547 5356 or 5955 or email accounts@rbk.kingston.gov.uk

The draft Statement of Accounts, which was approved by Councillors for submission to the Auditor on 30th June 2011, can be found on the website of the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames, at the address below from Monday, 4th July 2011.

- www.kingston.gov.uk/SLWP_accounts

From 9am on Monday, 1st August 2011, until the end of the audit process, local government electors (from the areas of the London Boroughs of Croydon, Merton, Kingston and Sutton) and/or their representatives also have:

(i) the opportunity to question the Auditor about the Accounts.

Please contact Keith Hosea, Audit Manager, on tel. 020 8547 5598 or email k-hosea@audit-commission.gov.uk, to make arrangements to ask questions.

(ii) the right to make objections to the accounts, or any items in them, asking that the auditor issue a report in the public interest and/or apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law.

For anyone wishing to exercise this right, they should set out their objection in writing, including the grounds on which it is made, and send it to the Auditor at the address below. The Auditor will contact the objector and/or make a convenient appointment to see the objector.

(please send a copy of the letter of objection to me at the address below.)

When the audit is complete, a further notice to that effect will be published.

The audit is being carried out by Lindsey Mallors, District Auditor, at the Audit Commission.

Her address is:

- 1st Floor
  - Millbank Tower
  - Millbank
  - London
  - SW1P 4HQ

The audit will be conducted under the provisions of the Audit Commission Act 1998 and the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2003 (as amended).

Further information about the Statement of Accounts and ‘your rights’ about public inspection and objections to the accounts can be found on the Council’s website:

- www.kingston.gov.uk/accounts

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