

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Notice is hereby given under Regulation 9 (1) of the Local Authority Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014 that:

- a) Copies of the unaudited accounts of Inverclyde Council for the year ended 31 March 2022 will be available for public inspection on the Council's website: <u>https://www.inverclyde.gov.uk/council-and-government/finance/financial-statements/pre-audit-inspection-period-for-annual-accounts</u> from Friday 1st July 2022 to Thursday 21st July 2022, both days inclusive.
- b) Any person interested may request an electronic copy of the abstracts of the accounts to be audited, all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts related thereto, and may request copies of any or all parts of the accounts. Where it is not possible to provide information electronically the Council will contact individuals to provide access. The change in this process has been made in response to the coronavirus pandemic using powers contained in the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020.
- c) Any person interested may object to the accounts or to any part of those accounts, no later than 4.00 pm Friday 22nd July by:
 - sending their objection in writing, together with a statement of the grounds thereof, to the auditor, Brian Howarth (Audit Director), Audit Scotland, 4th Floor, South Suite, The Athenaeum Building, 8 Nelson Mandela Place, Glasgow, G2 1BT or email <u>bhowarth@audit-scotland.gov.uk</u> and;
 - 2. sending a copy of that objection and statement to the Chief Executive and to any officer of the authority who may be concerned, both at Inverclyde Council, Municipal Buildings, Greenock PA15 1LY;
- d) The auditor shall, if requested by the person objecting, the authority, or by any officer of the authority who may be concerned, afford to that person or authority or officer, as the case may be, an opportunity of appearing before and being heard by the auditor with respect to that objection; and any such person or officer may so appear and be heard either personally or by a representative. This will be carried out online or by telephone.

Alan Puckrin, Interim Director, Finance & Corporate Governance (s95 Officer) Municipal Buildings, Greenock PA15 1LY 17th June 2022