

Date: 28 November 2023

NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL

PUBLIC NOTICE OF DELAY IN CONCLUSION OF THE AUDIT 2023-24

**The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014
The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015**

The audit of the Council's financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2024 has been concluded.

The audited Statement of Accounts for 2023-24, which incorporates the auditor's report thereon, has been published on the Council's website <https://n-somerset.gov.uk/council-democracy/accounts-spending-insurance/accounts-budget/inspection-accounts>

The external auditors have not issued their certificate of completion of the audit at this time, as they cannot formally conclude the audit and issue their audit certificate until they have completed the work necessary in relation to consolidation returns, including Whole of Government Accounts (WGA), and the National Audit Office has concluded their work in respect of WGA for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The auditor is Grant Thornton UK LLP of 2, Glass Wharf, Bristol BS2 0ZX.

Dated: 28 November 2024

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