



2019-20 Statement of accounts

At the end of each financial year, Lewes District Council is required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 to publish a Statement of Accounts setting out the financial position of the council and the transactions that have been made during the year.

You have the right to inspect these accounts, and the associated documents, in accordance with the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. For the financial year 2019/20, the above regulations have been amended by The Accounts and Audit (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020.

Public inspection of the draft accounts

After being approved by the council's responsible financial officer as a true and fair view, draft accounts for the year are published on this page, along with the council's annual governance statement.

The accounts are then made available for public inspection, along with the supporting accounting records and associated documents, for 30 working days. The inspection period for 2019/20 will commence on or before 1st September 2020. During this period, local electors can ask the external auditors questions about the draft accounts, or raise objections to them.

Publication of the final audited accounts

Each summer our external auditors Deloitte LLP conduct a full and detailed examination of the draft accounts and report their findings to the Council's Audit and Standards Committee, which then approves the audited accounts. The final audited accounts are then published on this page, along with the audit opinion, by 30th November 2020.

The auditors issue a final certificate of completion of the audit separately which is published here online when available, together with a public notice explaining the rights of local electors to inspect the accounts and audit opinion/certificate.

The audits for the 2018/19 financial statements have not yet been formally concluded by the external auditors (Deloitte LLP), so the final audit certificate for this year is not yet available.

Statement of accounts library

The accounts for the most recent financial year and final audited accounts for the previous years are published on our website.

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