

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

Covid-19 Notice:

Reflecting current government guidance, Transport for the North's office accommodation is closed until further notice. Whilst the closure of the offices will limit the ability to inspect documentation on site and in person, Transport for the North will support electors' rights, as laid out in this notice, through the distribution of electronic documentation wherever possible.

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015

1. Transport for the North's accounts are subject to external audit by Karen Murray of Mazars, One St Peter's Square, Manchester, M2 3DE. Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process.

2. From 1st June 2020 to 10th July 2020 any person may inspect the accounts of Transport for the North for the year ended 31 March 2020 and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating to them. They may also request copies of the accounts and documents. Requests for documentation should be made in the first instance to the Finance Director via email: finance@transportfornorth.com

The unaudited accounts will be available for inspection on the Transport for the North website at the following address: <https://transportfornorth.com/about-transport-for-the-north/transparency/>

3. From 10am on 1st June 2020 to 4pm 10th July 2020, a local government elector for the area of the body, or his/her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address in paragraph 1 above to make arrangements to ask any questions. Correspondence sent to this address will be directed to the auditor.

4. These rights do not permit a person to require disclosure of personal information or confidential commercial information as defined in section 26 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

5. From 10am on 1st June 2020 to 4pm 10th July 2020, a local government elector for the area of the body, or his/her representative, may object to the Transport for the North's accounts asking that the auditor issue a report in the public interest (schedule 7, Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014) and/or apply to the Court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law (section 27, Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014). Written notice of a proposed objection and the grounds on which it is made must be sent to the auditor at the address in paragraph 1 above and copied to me at the address given below.

DATED 31st May 2020

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