Stevenage Borough Council

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 March 2023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 26 and 27 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, and Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015, regulations 14, 15 and 21:

The Council's accounts are subject to external audit by Debbie Hanson, Partner, Ernst & Young LLP of 400 Capability Green, Luton, LU1 3LU. Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process:

- From 13 February to 26 March inclusive (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays), between 10am and 4pm, any person may inspect the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31 March 2023 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) at the address given below. They may also make copies of the accounts and documents.
- 2. From 10am on 13 February to 4pm on 26 March, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given above to make arrangements to ask any questions.
- 3. From 10am on 13 February to 4pm on 26 March, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may object to the Council's accounts asking that the auditor issue a report in the public interest (under section 27 of the 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 (under section 28 of the 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 given above and copied to me at the address given below.

12 February 2024

Clare Fletcher, Strategic Director Stevenage Borough Council, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, SG1 1HN