Smaller authority name: _____Bourne Town Council_____

NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS AND PUBLICATION **OF UNAUDITED ANNUAL GOVERNANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN**

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Sections 26 and 27 The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234)

NOTICE	NOTES
1. Date of announcementThursday 27 th June 2024(a)	(a) Insert date of placing of the notice which must be not less than 1 day before
2. Each year the smaller authority's Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) needs to be reviewed by an external auditor appointed by Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments Ltd. The unaudited AGAR has been published with this notice. As it has yet to be reviewed by the appointed auditor, it is subject to change as a result of that review. Any person interested has the right to inspect and make copies of the accounting records for the financial year to which the audit relates and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other documents relating to those records must be made available for inspection by any person	the date in (c) below
interested. For the year ended 31 March 2024, these documents will be available	
on reasonable notice by application to: (b)lan Sismey Clerk/RFO SK Community Point, 3 Abbey Road, Bourne, PE10 9EF	(b) Insert name, position and address/telephone number/ email address, as appropriate, of the Clerk or other person to which any person may apply to inspect the accounts
commencing on (c) Monday 1st July 2024	(c) Insert date, which must be at least 1 day after the date of announcement in (a) above and at least 30 working days
and ending on (d) Friday 9th August 2024	(d) The inspection period between (c)
3. Local government electors and their representatives also have:	and (d) must be 30 working days inclusive and must include the first 10
• The opportunity to question the appointed auditor about the accounting records; and	working days of July.
• The right to make an objection which concerns a matter in respect of which the appointed auditor could either make a public interest report or apply to the court for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the auditor and a copy sent to the smaller authority.	
The appointed auditor can be contacted at the address in paragraph 4 below for this purpose between the above dates only.	
4. The smaller authority's AGAR is subject to review by the appointed auditor under the provisions of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 and the NAO's Code of Audit Practice 2015. The appointed auditor is:	
PKF Littlejohn LLP (Ref: SBA Team) 15 Westferry Circus Canary Wharf	
London E14 4HD	
(sba@pkf-l.com)	(e) Insert name and position of person
5. This announcement is made by (e)lan Sismey Clerk/RFO	placing the notice – this person must be the responsible financial officer for the smaller authority