OLDHAM COUNCIL

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2012

Audit Commission Act 1998, sections 15 – 16

Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011 Regulations 9, 10, 21, 22 & 24

The Council’s accounts are subject to external audit by Mark Heap of the Audit Commission, 2nd Floor, Aspinall House, Aspinall Close, Middlebrook, Horwich, Bolton, BL6 6QQ (Tel: 0844 798 7300). Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process:

1. From 10 May 2012 to 8 June 2012 between 10am and 4pm any person may inspect the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31 March 2012 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 11 June 2012 until the conclusion of the audit process, 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 11 June 2012 until the conclusion of the audit process, 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 8 of the Audit Commission Act 1998) and/or apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law (under section 17 of the Audit Commission Act 1998). 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.

The auditor's current intention is to certify the audit of the Council as complete on 25 June 2012. This is subject to receiving any valid objections to the Council's accounts or identifying other matters that require additional audit work prior to this date.

26 April 2012

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