Notice of Conclusion of Audit 2023-24

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Sections 25
Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 Regulation 16
Accounts and Audit (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (Statutory Instrument 2024/907)

In accordance with Regulation 16 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, notice is given that the audit of the financial accounts for Essex County Council for the financial year ended 31 March 2024 has been concluded. An audit certificate was issued on 13 October 2025.

The rights conferred on local government electors by section 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 are to inspect and make copies of:

- the statement of accounts prepared by the authority,
- the local auditor's certificate that the audit of the authority's accounts including that statement has been completed,
- the local auditor's opinion on the statement of accounts,
- · any public interest report relating to the authority or an entity connected with it, and
- any recommendation relating to the authority or an entity connected with it.

If the elector requires copies of any such statement or report they are to be delivered on payment of a reasonable sum for each copy.

The Statement of Accounts for 2023-24 is published on the Council's website with the following website address: Essex County Council - Statement of Accounts 2023-24

Alternatively, the accounts may be inspected in person during normal office hours by appointment. Applications can be made by phone, post or e-mail to the Director: Finance as shown below.

Stephanie Mitchener Director: Finance Essex County Council, County Hall, Market Road Chelmsford CM1 1QH

Telephone: 03330 138401

Email: financial.accounting@essex.gov.uk

13 October 2025