

Barham Parish Council

Notice of the audit and right to inspect the Annual Governance & Accountability Return

Annual Governance & Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2024

Sections 20(2) and 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

Section 16 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234)

1. The audit of accounts for Barham Parish Council for the year ended 31 March 2024 has been carried out but cannot be completed for the reasons stated in the external auditor report. The accounts have been published.

On the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR), in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

The smaller authority has submitted its AGAR and supporting documentation prior to 30 September 2023; however, we have not been able to complete our review work in time to enable to smaller authority to publish the required documentation in line with statutory requirements. Once we have completed our review a final report will be provided with the certificate of completion detailing any qualifications and 'other' matters.

We do not certify completion because: We have not been able to complete our review work in time to enable to smaller authority to publish the required documentation in line with statutory requirements.

2. The Annual Governance & Accountability Return is available for inspection and copying by any local government elector of the area of Barham Parish Council on application to:

(a) Mrs Melanie Thurston – Clerk to Barham Parish Council

Tel 07837528187 email barhampc@outlook.com

(b) 30/09/24 to 14/10/24 on Mondays and Wednesdays only, 10.00am to 12noon

3. Copies will be provided to any local government elector of the area on payment of £2.50 (c) for each copy of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return.

Announcement made by: (d) Melanie Thurston – Clerk to Barham Parish Council

Date of announcement: (e) 30/09/24

Notes; this notice and Sections 1, 2 & 3 of the AGAR must be published by 30 September. **This must include publication on the smaller authority's website.** The smaller authority must decide how long to publish the Notice for; the AGAR and external auditor report must be publicly available for 5 years.

(a) Insert the name, position and address of the person to whom local government electors should apply to inspect the AGAR

(b) Insert the hours during which inspection rights may be exercised

(c) Insert a reasonable sum for copying costs

(d) Insert the name and position of

(e) Insert the date of placing of the notice