Rossendale Borough Council Statement of Accounts 2024/25 Notice of the Commencement of the Period for the Exercise of Public Rights The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 Regulations

Notice is hereby given that the unaudited statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 has been published on the Council's website. The Statement of Accounts as published is unaudited and may be subject to change.

Notice is given that from 27 June 2025 to 7 August 2025 between 10am - 12 noon and 2pm – 4pm Monday to Friday, any person may on reasonable notice inspect the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31 March 2025 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) except as provided for in Section 26(4) to 26(6) of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 in relation to commercially confidential and personal information.

Notice is given that from 27 June 2025 to 7 August 2025, the auditor, at the request of a local government elector for the Council's area, will give the elector or his/her representative an opportunity to question the auditor about the accounts.

Notice is given that from 27 June 2025 to 7 August 2025, any such elector may make objections to the auditor under section 27 of the Local Audit & Accountability Act 2014, relating to any matters where the auditor could take action under:

• Section 24 and paragraph 1 of Schedule 7 of the Local Audit & Accountability Act 2014, namely, to make a report in the public interest, and / or

• Section 28 of the Local Audit & Accountability Act 2014, namely to apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law.

No objection may be made unless the auditor has previously received written notice of the proposed objection, specifying the facts on which the objector relies and grounds on which the objection is being made. A copy of that written notice must also be sent to the Council at the address below.

The appointed auditor to the Council is Forvis Mazars LLP. Any questions and notices of objections should be addressed to Alastair Newall, Forvis Mazars LLP, 1 St Peters Square, Manchester, M3 3DE.

Dated 27 June 2025

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