

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: FALKIRK COUNCIL ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2014/15 AND FALKIRK
TEMPERANCE TRUST ACCOUNTS 2014/15
Meeting: AUDIT COMMITTEE
Date: 22 June 2015
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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Local Authority Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014 requires the Council to submit the Unaudited Annual Accounts of the Council and Falkirk Temperance Trust for the financial year ended 31 March 2015 to the Auditor by the statutory deadline of 30 June 2015. Under the regulations, a Committee of the local authority, whose remit includes audit and governance functions, must meet to consider the unaudited Annual Accounts.

2. 2014/15 ACCOUNTS

- 2.1 Officers have been working on preparing the Unaudited Accounts for the past few months and the closure of accounts process is proceeding in accordance with the project plan to allow them to be lodged with the Auditor by the due date of 30 June. The Unaudited Accounts will be posted on the Council's website on 22 June 2015.
- 2.2 It is anticipated that the statutory three week public inspection period will commence on 29 June following public notice on 11 June. The audit stage will commence formally at the beginning of July and is due to be completed by the end of September. Copies of the draft accounts are available from the Chief Finance Officer from 22 June.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 That Members consider the Unaudited Annual Accounts to be passed to the Auditor by the statutory deadline of 30 June 2015.

Chief Finance Officer

Date: 3 June 2015

Contact Officer: Amanda Templeman

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. 2014/15 Unaudited Annual Report and Accounts for Falkirk Council and Falkirk Temperance Trust.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers listed above should telephone Falkirk 01324 506371 and ask for Amanda Templeman.