NOTICE is hereby given that:

(1) the audit of accounts of Somerset County Council (SCC) and Somerset Pensions Fund (Pensions) for the year ended 31 March 2019 have been concluded;

(2) the audit on the statement of accounts of Somerset County Council (SCC) confirms the accounts give a true and fair view, been prepared in accordance with the CIPFA/LASAAC code of practice, and been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014;

(3) the audit on SCCs value for money gave a qualified opinion except for the effects of the matter described in the basis for qualified conclusion section of the audit report, Grant Thornton are satisfied that, in all significant respects, the Authority put in place proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources for the year ended 31 March 2019;

(4) the audit opinion and value for money conclusion for SCC was issued on 31/07/2019;

(5) the accounts of the Somerset Pension Fund audit opinion for was issued on 31/07/2019;

(6) the audit certificate was issued on 04/11/2019;

(7) the statement of accounts of SCC are available for inspection at County Hall, Taunton, during normal office hours (09:00 to 16:00, Monday to Friday);

(8) any local government elector for any area to which the accounts relate is entitled to inspect and make copies of these statements of accounts during normal office hours without payment, and to require copies of these statements to be delivered to them on payment of a reasonable sum for each copy;

(9) these full audited statement of accounts and the annual audit letters are also available on the internet: http://www.somerset.gov.uk/information-and-statistics/financial-information/budgets-and-accounts/ or for more information please contact:
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