

#### **MADELEY TOWN COUNCIL**

## NOTICE OF CONCLUSION OF AUDIT AND RIGHT TO INSPECT THE **ANNUAL RETURN**

### ANNUAL RETURN FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2016

	The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (s25), and The Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 (SI 234)
1.	The audit of accounts for the Council for the year ended 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 has been concluded.
2.	The annual return is available for inspection by any local government elector for the area of the Council on application to:
	J.M. Morris, Responsible Finance Officer Jubilee House, 74 High Street, Madeley, TELFORD, TF7 5AH
	between 10.00am and 4.00pm on Mondays to Fridays (excluding public holidays)
3.	Copies of the annual return will be provided to any local government elector.
Anno	uncement made by:  Deputy Town Clerk Responsible Finance Office
Date (	of Announcement: October 13 <sup>th</sup> 2016

# Section 3 – External auditor certificate and report 2015/16 Certificate

We certify that we have completed our review of the annual return, and discharged our responsibilities under the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, for the year ended 31 March 2016 in respect of:

Enter name of smaller authority here:	MADELEY TOWN COUNCIL

## Respective responsibilities of the body and the auditor

This smaller authority is responsible for ensuring that its financial management is adequate and effective and that it has a sound system of internal control. The smaller authority prepares an annual return in accordance with proper practices which:

- summarises the accounting records for the year ended 31 March 2016; and
- confirms and provides assurance on those matters that are relevant to our duties and responsibilities as external auditors.

Our responsibility is to review the annual return in accordance with guidance issued by the National Audit Office (NAO) on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General (see note below). Our work does not constitute an audit carried out in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland) and does not provide the same level of assurance that such an audit would do.

### External auditor's report

On the basis of our review of the annual return, in our opinion the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

Other matters not affecting our opinion which we draw to the attention of the authority:

We were required to return the Annual Return to enable the Council to correct an error in Section 2. Total Fixed Assets at box 9 included a new website, which is not classified as a Fixed Asset. In future, the Council should ensure it only records Fixed Assets in the Annual Return.

External auditor's signature:	Mazars LLY		0
External auditor's name:	Mazars LLP, Durham, DH1 5TS	Date:	20 September 2016

Note: The NAO issued guidance applicable to external auditors' work on 2015/16 accounts in Auditor Guidance Note AGN/02. The AGN is available from the NAO website (www.nao.org.uk)