KIRBY MUXLOE PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF A PUBLIC INTEREST REPORT (PIR)

BY APPOINTED AUDITOR

FOR AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED 31 MARCH 2016 – 31 MARCH 2022

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Schedule 7, Section 4 (2), (5), (7)

- 1. Date of PIR: 5 June 2024
- 2. Date of announcement: 12 June 2024
- Subject matter of PIR: A local government elector made objections relating to the Council's accounts for the years ended 31 March 2016 31 March 2022. The appointed auditors (PKF Littlejohn LLP) decided to consider some of those objections and requested information that they considered necessary for the purpose of their statutory functions.

The appointed auditors decided to issue a Public Interest Report due to the delays by the Council in providing this information and so that these matters may be considered by the Council and brought to the attention of the public.

The PIR contains recommendations for the Council to consider at a public meeting, which will be advertised later this month. The appointed auditors recommended that the Council:

- agrees to a plan to deliver the remainder of the information that they have requested (or provide confirmation that the Council does not hold such information) no later than 20 July 2024;
- monitors its delivery against that timetable;
- undertakes a review of its information management arrangements to ensure that it is readily able to extract information it holds for any purpose, including providing information to its external auditor and responding to requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000; and
- agrees and implements an action plan stemming from its review of its information management arrangements.
- 4. The PIR is available on the Kirby Muxloe Parish Council website <u>homepage</u>. Any person interested also has the right to inspect and make copies of the report which will be available on reasonable notice by application to: Rachel Atkinson Parish Clerk/RFO 0116 2386408