

Appendix K: Best Value Notices for local authorities

The Best Value Notices issued by the Government are available to view [on the Government website](#). In addition to the Notice issued to South Cambridgeshire District Council on 3 November 2023, three other Notices have been issued this year (2023). Below is a list of the Notices issued – along with a summary of why they were issued. The full detail for each notice can be found [on the Government website](#).

- Best Value Notice issued to Middlesbrough Council on 24 January 2023 owing to serious concerns highlighted by an external auditor around governance arrangements, along with cultural and governance issues.

- Best Value Notice issued to Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority on 24 January 2023 because of issues including:
 - o Significant concerns highlighted by an external auditor in relation to the 2021/22 audit year, confirming significant weakness in the Authority's governance arrangements.
 - o Significant delivery concerns in some of the programmes delivered by the Authority.
 - o Concerns around Partnership working.
 - o Concerns in respect of procurement of services to the Authority.

- Best Value Notice issued to Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council on 3 August 2023 owing to concerns around:
 - o Member relationships and relationships between councillors and officers.
 - o The Authority's Medium Term Financial Plan and budget.
 - o The governance and remit of a regeneration company that was established by the Council in 2021.
 - o The need to further develop and better support the Council's leadership team, both individually and as a collective.