

Joint Planning Policy Committee
c/o Gwynedd Council
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Joint Planning Policy Committee: Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2014

Dear Councillors

The Appointed Auditor is responsible for providing an opinion:

- on whether the information contained in the Committee's Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2014 is in accordance with the Auditor General for Wales' requirements; and
- that no matters have come to the Auditor's attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

We received the draft Annual Return for the financial year ended 31 March 2014 on 30 June 2014, the statutory deadline, and have now substantially completed our audit work. There are no issue arising which we believe you should consider prior to approval of the Joint Planning Policy Committee's Annual Return in accordance with the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2005 (as amended) (the Regulations).

Proposed audit report

It is our intention to issue an unqualified certificate and report and there are no other matters which we wish to draw to the attention of the Joint Committee.

Other matters not affecting our opinion

There are no other matters not affecting our opinion that we wish to draw the attention of the Committee.

Misstatements in the Accounting Statements

There are no misstatements in Section 1: Accounting statements, that have not been corrected.

Approving the Annual Return

The Responsible Financial Officer should now certify "Section 3: Certification by the RFO" in accordance with Regulation 8 of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2005 (Regulation 8B (1), 8B (2) and 8B (3)).

The Joint Committee should then approve the Annual Return and the Chair of the meeting approving the Annual Return should sign "Section 3: Approval by the Committee". Once the Annual Return has been approved, it should be sent to the address above. Once we have received the Annual Return from you, we will complete "Section 3: External Auditors Report" and send you a notice of conclusion of the audit.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Owen', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Derwyn Owen

Engagement Lead

On behalf of the Appointed Auditor