

Auditor General's report and audit opinion

I certify that I have completed the audit of the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2023 of **Name of Community Council**. My audit has been conducted on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales and in accordance with the requirements of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004 (the 2004 Act) and guidance issued by the Auditor General for Wales.

Audit opinion: Qualified

Except for the matters reported below in my Basis for Qualification, on the basis of my audit, in my opinion no matters have come to my attention to give cause for concern that, in any material respect, the information reported in this Annual Return:

- has not been prepared in accordance with proper practices;
- that relevant legislative and regulatory requirements have not been met;
- is not consistent with the Council's governance arrangements; and
- that the Council does not have proper arrangements in place to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources.

Basis of Qualification

Accounting Statement

In my opinion, the Accounting Statement does not properly/fairly present the Council's receipts and payments/income and expenditure and financial position:

 The Council has not reflected in its value of fixed assets (Line 12) playground equipment purchased in the year for £19,847

There are no further matters I wish to draw to the Council's attention.

Richard Harries, Director, Audit Wales
For and on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales

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