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YEAR-END AUDIT REPORT 2022-23

The Clerk

Halton with Aughton Parish Council clerk@haltonwithaughton-pc.gov.uk

07/06/2023

Dear Luke Mills

Internal Audit of the Accounts for Financial Year ending 31 March 2023

I am pleased to inform you that the internal audit of **Halton with Aughton** is complete.

The tests and checks as per attached list were carried out.

Cashbook and bank reconciliation

The cashbook and bank reconciliation statement were agreed to the 31 of March 2023.

VAT claim

The VAT claims for the year had been carried out in an appropriate manner.

Budget

The compilation of the Councils budget for the year was reviewed and I can confirm that it has been properly compiled and underpins the precept demand. I can also confirm that progress against the budget was monitored on a regular basis.

Minutes

The Council's minutes were reviewed. Samples provided were signed and paginated.

Insurance

Insurance cover is in place and is adequate for the major liabilities faced by the council.

Internal Controls

I confirm that I have carried out appropriate tests and checks on the accounts and internal controls as detailed on the accompanying Independent Internal Audit check list and found them to be satisfactory.

I can confirm that all original and additional information requested was provided in an efficient, detailed and timely manner

Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2022-23

I checked the figures in section 2 of the return and found them to be correct and ready for submission to the external auditor.

Appropriate explanations for the 2021-22 to 2022-23 variances were provided via the explanation of variances form.

FOR INFORMATION

Box F As there was no evidence of the use of petty cash this has been entered as "not covered".

Box K As the authority had a limited assurance review of its 2021-22 AGAR this has been entered as "not covered"

Box L As the authority had an annual turnover exceeding £25,000 this has been entered as "not covered"

ISSUES TO NOTE

None

Yours sincerely

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