

External Audit – Certification Work Report 2010/11

SUMMARY

- 1.1 The report in Appendix 2 from Grant Thornton sets out the findings from the 2010/11 certification work undertaken.
- 1.2 The report shows an improvement in the performance against the previous year on certification targets. Performance against deadlines is in line with the previous year when taking account of deadline extensions from DCLG.
- 1.3 There have been three audit qualifications. Two relate to the accuracy of information which we are working to rectify for future audits. The other relates to historic issues which were anticipated, but will not continue in future due to this being the final year for the claim.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the certification work report for 2010/11 from Grant Thornton.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 As Derby City Council's external auditors, Grant Thornton UK LLP undertakes certification work at the Derby City Council (the Council), acting as an agent of the Audit Commission.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 Various grant-paying bodies require external certification of claims for grant or subsidy and returns of financial information and the Audit Commission makes certification arrangements with grant-paying bodies. The report at Appendix 2 sets out the results of the certification work undertaken by Grant Thornton for the 2010/11 financial year.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 Not applicable

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer Financial officer Human Resources officer Service Director(s) Other(s)	
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IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

1.1 As outlined in the report

Legal

2.1 None directly arising

Personnel

3.1 None directly arising

Equalities Impact

4.1 None directly arising

Health and Safety

5.1 None directly arising

Environmental Sustainability

6.1 None directly arising

Asset Management

7.1 None directly arising

Risk Management

8.1 None directly arising

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

9.1 None directly arising