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Dear Lisa,

Reigate and Banstead Borough Council: closure of the audit for 2023/24

We are pleased to advise you that the audit of the Council's financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2024 is now complete.

We issued a disclaimer of opinion on the financial statements on 28 February 2025 and on the same date have not reported any significant weaknesses in the Council's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources as required by the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, the National Audit Office's Code of Audit Practice and supporting guidance.

Following the completion of whole of government accounts work by the National Audit Office, we have now issued the audit certificate dated 20 August 2025 completing the audit process for the 2023/24 financial year.

Please note that Regulation 16(1) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 requires the Council to publish (which must include publication on its website) a statement that the audit has been concluded. Please accept our thanks to everybody at the Council for your help and support during this year's audit. We have previously provided you with details for the publication of your statement of accounts, but for ease reproduce this below.

Auditor's reports on the financial statements

We have noted your wish to publish and distribute the statement of accounts, which includes the financial statements, in electronic format. Please note that:

- the examination of the controls over the electronic publication of audited financial statements is beyond the scope of the audit of the financial statements and the auditor cannot be held responsible for changes made to audited information after the initial publication of the financial statements and auditor's report;
- where you wish to publish or distribute the financial statements electronically (separately or within the statement of accounts), you are responsible for ensuring that the publication accurately presents the financial statements and auditor's report on those financial statements. This responsibility also applies to the presentation of any financial information published in respect of prior periods; and
- the auditor's report on the financial statements should not be reproduced or referred to electronically without our written consent.

Please ensure that:

- you publish the financial statements and the auditor's report on those statements together in the statement of accounts;
- you only publish the financial statements accompanied by the "other information" provided to us before we issued our audit report and specifically referred to in our audit report; and
- you do not publish the financial statements accompanied by any other information not provided to us prior to issuing our auditor's report.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like clarification on any point.

Yours sincerely

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