

RECEIVED
30 AUG 2016

ISSUES ARISING REPORT FOR
Godalming Town Council
Audit for the year ended 31 March 2016

BDO

Introduction

The following matters have been raised to draw items to the attention of Godalming Town Council. These matters came to the attention of BDO LLP during the audit of the annual return for the year ended 31 March 2016. This report must be presented to a full meeting of the smaller authority for review.

The audit of the annual return may not disclose all shortcomings of the systems as some matters may not have come to the attention of the auditor. For this reason, the matters raised may not be the only ones that exist.

The matters listed below are explained in further detail on the page(s) that follow;

- Box 11 not completed
-

The following issue(s) have been raised to assist the council. The council is recommended to take action on the following issue(s) to ensure that the council acts within its statutory and regulatory framework.

Box 11 not completed

What is the issue?

The council has not answered box 11 in Section 2 of the annual return. We believe based on prior year information that the council should have answered 'No'.

Why has this issue been raised?

This is a note for the reader of the accounts to clarify that the council is not a sole trustee of any charities and also to ensure that the council answers this question in future. It does state on the form that no box should be left blank.

What do we recommend you do?

The council should ensure in future years that it answers 'No' to box 11, to confirm whether the council does act as the sole trustee of and is responsible for managing trust funds or assets.

Further guidance on this matter can be obtained from the following source(s):

Governance and Accountability in Local Councils in England - A Practitioners Guide, NALC/SLCC

No other matters came to our attention.

For and on behalf of
BDO LLP

Date: 22 August 2016
