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## **Audit of Financial Statements Reports 2018-2019 - various Welsh Councils**

I am writing in response to your request for information below dated 04 November 2019 in which you requested information regarding the audit reports for various Welsh councils for 2018-19.

Most of the reports that you are seeking are available on the respective Council websites, usually within the papers for Audit Committee. In two cases the reports are in the format of a presentation. As this information is reasonably accessible to you by other means it is exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I have however provided the links below.

### **Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council**

An Audit Report is not held in respect of Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council. Please see the update on the external audit of the Blaenau Gwent CBC financial statements for 2018-19 which is available via the Blaenau Gwent CBC webpage at:

[http://democracy.blaenau-gwent.gov.uk/Data/Audit%20Committee/201909100930/Agenda/\\$att10864.docx.pdf](http://democracy.blaenau-gwent.gov.uk/Data/Audit%20Committee/201909100930/Agenda/$att10864.docx.pdf)

### **Caerphilly County Borough Council**

This report is available on the Caerphilly CBC website as part of the papers for its Audit Committee meeting in July 2019 and can be accessed on the Council website at

<https://democracy.caerphilly.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=139&MIId=11568&Ver=4&LLL=0>

### **Ceredigion County Borough Council**

This report is available on the Council website as part of the papers for the September 2019 meeting of its' Audit Committee (Ardroddiad ISA260/Report). The report is available at:

[http://www.ceredigion.gov.uk/cpdl/Democratic\\_Services\\_Meetings\\_Public/A%20ISA260%20combined.pdf](http://www.ceredigion.gov.uk/cpdl/Democratic_Services_Meetings_Public/A%20ISA260%20combined.pdf)

### **Conwy County Borough Council**

A presentation was made to the Council and is included as part of the papers for its Audit Committee meeting in September 2019 and the papers are available at

<https://modgoveng.conwy.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=176&MId=7699&Ver=4>

### **Flintshire County Borough Council**

The audit report is included in the statement of accounts, which are part of the papers for its Audit Committee meeting in September 2019 and the papers are available at:

<http://committeemeetings.flintshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=138&MId=4500&Ver=4&LLL=0>

### **Gwynedd County Borough Council**

This report is available on the Council website as part of the papers for the September 2019 meeting of its' Audit and Governance Committee. The papers are available at:

<https://democracy.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=136&MId=2984&Ver=4>

### **Neath & Port Talbot County Borough Council**

This report is available on the Council website as part of the papers for the July 2019 meeting of its' Audit Committee. The papers are available at:

<https://democracy.npt.gov.uk/uuCoverPage.aspx?bcr=1>

### **Newport City Council**

This report is available on the Council website as part of the papers for the September 2019 meeting of its' Audit Committee. The papers are available

at: <https://democracy.newport.gov.uk/documents/g7643/Public%20reports%20pack%205th-Sep-2019%2017.00%20Audit%20Committee.pdf?T=10>

### **Pembrokeshire County Borough Council**

This report is available on the Council website as part of the papers for the July 2019 meeting of its' Audit Committee (Item 8, appendix C). The papers are available at:

<http://mgenglish.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=514&MId=4681&Ver=4&LLL=0>

### **Powys County Borough Council**

This report is available on the Council website as part of the papers for the September 2019 meeting of its' Audit Committee (Item 5). The papers are available at:

<https://powys.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=135&MId=4434&Ver=4>

### **The Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council**

This report is available on the Council website as part of the papers for the September 2019 meeting of its' Audit Committee. The report is available at:

<https://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/Documents/Committee%20Reports/Audit/2019/19-09-03/Audit-of-Financial-Statements.pdf>

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I must also refer you to section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act under which you may apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether or not your request has been dealt with in accordance with the Act. The Information Commissioner's contact details are:

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email : [casework@ico.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:casework@ico.gsi.gov.uk)  
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You should note, however, that the Information Commissioner would normally expect you to have exhausted our internal complaints procedures before dealing with such an application. Further guidance may be found on the Information Commissioner's website:

<https://ico.org.uk/>

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely  
Information Officer