

Paper 4.1 - LEP Streets Report - LEP Finances 2017/18

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1. Summary of Engagement

Please find below our findings regarding the review of the annual financial statements of the Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership (GLLEP) for the year ended 31 March 2018.

GLLEP is a dormant company and the figures in the statement are extracted from the accountable body records. The accountable body is subject to a statutory audit; however, our work is designed to independently provide comfort to the directors over the financial operations of the GLLEP.

1.1 Scope

The scope of our work was:

- To perform a review of the activity for the year ended 31 March 2018.
- To determine if revenues are reasonable and are properly controlled and appropriately recorded.
- To review expenditure from the project accounts and confirm they are compliant with LCC policies, grant agreements and financial regulations.
- To gain assurance that the organisation properly and effectively discharges its responsibilities with regards to financial management.
- To review relevant assurance documentation and ensure that it is fit for purpose.

This work was performed in accordance with our standard terms of business.

1.2 Disclaimer

Our procedures do not constitute an examination made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which would be the expression of assurance on the contents of the return. Accordingly, we do not express such assurance. Had we performed additional procedures or had we performed an audit or review of the financial statement in accordance with generally accepted auditing or review standards, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you. This report relates only to the financial statements and does not extend to any other reports of the GLLEP.

Our report is prepared solely for the confidential use of the GLLEP. This report is released to the GLLEP on the basis that it shall not be copied, referred to or disclosed, in whole or in part (save as otherwise permitted by agreed written terms), without our prior written consent. Without assuming or accepting any responsibility or liability in respect of this report to any party other than the GLLEP, we acknowledge that the GLLEP may be required to disclose this report to other parties demonstrating a statutory right to see it, to enable such other parties to exercise statutory rights of access to this report.

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Executive Summary

Based on the work as set out in this report we believe the accounts are properly kept and the financial reports are prepared in accordance with the requirements of the funding. The accounts represent fairly the results of the operations and cash flows for the financial year and the financial position of the GLLEP as at 31st March 2018.

- The review of activity for the year ended 31 March 2018 has not indicated any significant issues.
- The accounts appear to be properly kept and the annual reports are prepared in accordance with the requirements of the funding and represent fairly the results of the operations and cash flows for the financial year and financial position of the GLLEP as at 31 March 2018.
- Revenues are reasonable, properly controlled and appropriately recorded. However, consideration should be given to "the Lawn Investment project", specifically that the interest due from R. W Stokes & Sons Ltd in respect of this project has not been accrued. Although, it was noted that there would be no reasonable way to obtain this at the time of preparation of the accounts.
- Project accounts expenditure appear compliant with LCC policies, grant agreements and financial regulations.
- There did not appear to be any significant issues regarding the organisation properly and effectively discharging its responsibilities with regard to financial management practices.
- Cash balances and interest calculations are fairly stated.

Yours faithfully

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