

The Board The Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership Unit 4 Witham Park House Waterside South Lincoln LN5 7JN

27 June 2017

The Board

Please find below our findings regarding the audit of the annual financial statement for the year ended 31st March 2017, the scope of which was communicated by email from Kate Storey dated 13 December 2016.

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 of GLLEP.

## Scope

The scope of our work was:

- A review activity for the 12 month period 16/17,
- Determine if revenues are reasonable and are properly controlled and appropriately recorded,
- Review project accounts expenditure and determine if they are compliant with LCC policies. grant agreements and financial regulations,
- To ensure that the organisation properly and effectively discharges its responsibilities with regards to financial management,
- Review of the relevant assurance documentation and ensure that it is fit for purpose.

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

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 statement and does not extend to any other reports of the GLLEP, taken as a whole.

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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 and 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 2017.

- The review of activity for the 12 month period 16/17 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 2017,
- Revenues are reasonable, properly controlled and appropriately recorded,
- Project accounts expenditure appear compliant with LCC policies, grant agreements and financial regulations. However, consideration should be given to the treatment of the amounts transferred to Chestnut Homes (Land) Ltd relating to the "The Quadrant". Documentation supplied indicates that this relates to a repayable loan, rather than a grant. The associated interest is not considered in the annual financial report,
- 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,

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• The Board should consider delegating decision making around some of the financial consideration of the funds on a risk basis to officers.

Yours faithfully

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