

Audited Body Name..... Cefn Community Council.....

NOTICE OF CONCLUSION OF AUDIT  
Accounts year ended 31 March 2020  
Section 29 of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004  
The Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014

Insert date of placing the Notice

1. Date of Notice 21 / 10 / 2020.

The date of conclusion of the audit is the date shown on the Auditor's Certificate and Report on the Annual Return.

2. Notice

The Audit of the Council's Accounts for the above year has been concluded on

20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 by Grant Thornton UK LLP for and on Behalf of the Auditor General for Wales.

The Accounts must be published on conclusion of the Audit or on 30<sup>th</sup> September whichever is the earlier.

3. Publication of Accounts.

A copy of the Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's Certificate and Report thereon has been published.

Notice of these rights is required by the Act.

4. Local Government Elector's Rights

A Local Government Elector for the Council may obtain, inspect or take a copy of the Statement of Accounts and Auditor's Certificate and Report by arrangement with the Clerk at the address and times set out below. Copies will be provided to any local government elector on payment of £0.80 for each copy of the Annual Return.

Complete as locally appropriate

5. Days and times of availability

Monday to Thursday  
8am - 2pm

Complete as locally appropriate

6. Address where the Documents may be inspected or purchased

George Edwards Hall  
Well Street, Cefn Mawr  
Wrexham

Complete as appropriate

7. Signature and name of person giving Notice on behalf of Council

S. Nichol Clerk and / or Responsible Financial Officer

Amend if necessary

This Notice is to be displayed for 14 days.

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## **Cefn Community Council - Auditor General for Wales' Audit Certificate and report**

The Auditor General for Wales issued Cefn Community Council a qualified audit report. Details of the matters which have led to the qualification are detailed below:

### **Certification by the RFO after the Annual governance statement and Accounting statements have been signed and approved**

Regulation 15(1) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations (Wales) 2014 stipulates that the Responsible Financial Officer must sign and date the Accounting statements to certify that it presents fairly the financial position of the authority and its income and expenditure, or properly presents receipts and payments as the case may be. Regulation (2) stipulates that when the Responsible Financial Officer has complied with paragraph (1) the authority must, in the following order:

- (a) consider the statement of accounts by the members meeting as a whole;
- (b) approve the statement of accounts by resolution; and
- (c) ensure the statement of accounts is signed and dated by the person presiding at the meeting at which that approval is given.

The Responsible Financial Officer must, therefore, certify the Accounting statements before the authority considers, approves and signs them.

The Responsible Financial Officer for the Council has certified the Accounting statements on 21 May 2020, after the Council approved them on 19 May 2020. In future, the Council should ensure that the Responsible Financial Officer certifies the Accounting statements **before** the authority considers, approves and signs them in accordance with Regulation 15. The correct answer to the Annual Governance Statement, Assertion 1 is 'No'.

Yours sincerely,

*Grant Thornton UK LLP*

For and on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales

Date: 20 October 2020

Ref: WAL349

## Auditor General for Wales' Audit Certificate and report

The external auditor conducts the audit on behalf of, and in accordance with, guidance issued by the Auditor General for Wales. On the basis of their review of the Annual Return and supporting information, they report whether any matters that come to their attention give cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

We certify that we have completed the audit of the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2020 of:

Cefn Community Council

### External auditor's report

[Except for the matters reported below]\* On the basis of our review, in our opinion, the information contained in the Annual Return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

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### Other matters and recommendations

External auditor's name: Grant Thornton UK LLP, 6th Floor, 3 Callaghan Square, Cardiff, CF10 5BT

External auditor's signature: *Grant Thornton UK LLP*

Date: 20 October 2020

For and on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales