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Miss Sarah Crawley Head of Poverty and Prevention City & County of Swansea Civic Centre Swansea SA1 3SN

Dear Miss Crawley

Audit Committee – Swansea Children's Centre & Mayhill Family Centre Audit

At the last meeting of the Audit Committee, the Chief Auditor presented a report showing the audits which had been finalised during the third quarter of 2015/16. The report highlighted any audits which had received a 'moderate' or 'limited' level of assurance and also identified the reasons why the audits received the negative level of assurance.

The Committee noted that the Swansea Children's Centre / Mayhill Family Centre audit had received a moderate level of assurance

The main issues which led to the audit receiving a moderate level of assurance were:

- The ISiS Purchase to Pay system was not used for procurement
- An overpayment was identified due to a delay in processing invoices for payment
- Corporate contracts were not always used
- A number of issues relating to the use of P Cards e.g. paying utility bills, multiple purchases from the same supplier and purchases from a corporate contract
- The inventories at both sites were not up to date
- The disposal and transfer of inventory items were not documented
- Annual inventory certificates had not been completed

The Audit Committee were concerned that the service had received a moderate level of assurance and asked me to write to you to say that the Committee expected to see a significant improvement in internal control as a result of the recent audit.

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Yours sincerely

Mr Alan Thomas

Chair of Audit Committee

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