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Dear colleague

Auditor General for Wales Review of Town Centre Regeneration

The Auditor General for Wales published his report on Town Centre Regeneration in Wales on September 2nd. The report, data tool and self-evaluation proforma can be accessed on our website – [HERE](#).

The report makes a number of recommendations to local authorities and the Welsh Government. Following on from letters sent to each council by Audit Directors in June 2021 noting that we would expect that the councils' Governance and Audit Committee formally consider all reports of external review bodies – principally; Audit Wales, Estyn and the Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) – our introductory text to the recommendations note the following:

“We expect each local authority to consider the findings of this review and our recommendations, and that its governance and audit committee receives this report and monitors its response to our recommendations in a timely way”.

In terms of the practicalities of how this will work, we would ask you to provide us with an electronic link to the Governance and Audit committee agenda (or the agenda of the committee the report is presented to), a link to the minutes for the meeting and any additional comments/actions that the council wish to notify us of.

These should be sent to council.studies@audit.wales.

I trust this is self-explanatory but please feel free to get in touch if you wish to discuss in more detail.

Best wishes

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