

Cynthia Thompson:

Please could the Section 151 Officer confirm if the External Audits, not formally concluded dating as far back as financial years 2021/2020, should be resolved prior to any Local Government Reorganisation?

Response – Dave Hodgson

As you are aware the decision to conclude the audit is up to Grant Thornton, our external Auditors and is outside the control of the Council. However, having consulted with Grant Thornton, they have confirmed that they will endeavour to complete this work as soon as practically possible and do not intend for this to run close to the timeframe for proposed LGR.