

Section 3 – External Auditor Report and Certificate 2017/18

In respect of *ASCOTT-UNDER-WYCHWOOD PARISH COUNCIL*

1 Respective responsibilities of the body and the auditor

This authority is responsible for ensuring that its financial management is adequate and effective and that it has a sound system of internal control. The authority prepares an Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with *Proper Practices* which:

- summarises the accounting records for the year ended 31 March 2018; and
- confirms and provides assurance on those matters that are relevant to our duties and responsibilities as external auditors.

Our responsibility is to review Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with guidance issued by the National Audit Office (NAO) on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General (see note below). Our work **does not** constitute an audit carried out in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland) and **does not** provide the same level of assurance that such an audit would do.

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~~(Except for the matters reported below)*~~ on the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met. (*delete as appropriate).

(continue on a separate sheet if required)

Other matters not affecting our opinion which we draw to the attention of the authority:

(continue on a separate sheet if required)

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We certify/~~do not certify~~* that we have completed our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, and discharged our responsibilities under the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, for the year ended 31 March 2018.

~~*We do not certify completion because:-~~

External Auditor Name

Moore Stephens

External Auditor Signature

Moore Stephens

Date

31/03/18

*Note: the NAO issued guidance applicable to external auditors' work on limited assurance reviews for 2017/18 in Auditor Guidance Note AGN/02. The AGN is available from the NAO website (www.nao.org.uk)

Smaller Authority Name: ASCOTT-UNDER-WYCHWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF CONCLUSION OF ANNUAL AUDIT
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018
Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015

- 1 The audit of accounts for (Smaller Authority Name) ASCOTT-UNDER-WYCHWOOD for the year ended 31 March 2018 has been completed and the accounts have been published.

- 2 The Annual Return is available for inspection by any local government elector in the area of (Smaller Authority Name) ASCOTT-UNDER-WYCHWOOD PARISH on application to
 - (a) (Name of Clerk) ANGELA BARNES

 - (b) (Address of Clerk)
YEW TREE COTTAGE
58 NEW ST CHIPPING NORTON
OXON OX7 5LJ

 - (c) (Telephone/email, and hours and arrangements to view)
CLERK@ASCOTT.PCC.ORG.UK - VIEW BY ARRANGEMENT

- 3 Copies will be provided to any person on payment of £ 1 for each copy of the Annual Return. NO CHARGE WILL BE MADE TO VIEW THE ANNUAL RETURN.

Announcement made by (Name of Clerk)

ANGELA BARNES

Date of Announcement

17/10/2018