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LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDITOR- REPORT ON CAUSEWAY COAST & GLENS COUNCIL

As you are aware, serious concerns were raised regarding practices being used by Causeway Coast and Glen Council. Therefore, in November 2020, the Local Government Auditor was directed to hold an extraordinary audit of the accounts of Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council, concentrating on land disposal, easements and related asset management policies and procedures.

The Auditor's report has highlighted serious issues and has identified 8 specific recommendations.

I expect the Council to accept all the recommendations and immediately commence implementation of these.

Please respond in writing within 21 days confirming the acceptance and commitment to implement endorsed by the Council.

Under section 104 of the Local Government Act 2014, I am requesting a detailed plan which sets out how the Council intends to fully implement the recommendations. The plan should be sent to me by 8 August 2022 and should show how the Auditor's recommendations will be fully implemented by 30 December 2022.



These are very serious issues, therefore I will continue to work with my Departmental officials and legal team, to ensure Council fulfil its obligations in this matter. If the Council fail to fulfil its obligations, I will consider what options are available under section 105 and 106 of the Local Government Act 2014 as outlined in Recommendation 8 in the report.

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Deirdre Hargey MLA
Minister for Communities