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Dear Duncan

## Ceredigion Harbour Authority 2022-23 Annual Return

In accordance with the requirements of Section 12 and Section 13 of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004 and Section 42 of the Harbours Act 1964 I am giving my report on the Annual Return relating to harbour activities that you have prepared in relation to Ceredigion Harbour Authority for the year ending 31 March 2023.

I have undertaken our work in accordance with the specified procedures issued by the Auditor General for Wales. In summary these procedures require us to consider whether the Annual Return relating to harbour activities:

- has been prepared on a reasonable basis (for example, the figures agree to the underlying records upon which they have been prepared and are consistent with transactions recorded in the statutory accounts of the local authority for the same reporting period); and
- casts correctly.

## Audit report on the Annual Return relating to the harbour activities of Ceredigion Harbour for the year ending 31 March 2023

Subject to the approval of the 2022-23 Annual Return by the Governance and Audit Committee we will be able to confirm the following:

"On the basis of my review, in my opinion no matters have come to my attention giving cause for concern that in any material respect, the information reported in this Annual Return:

- has not been prepared in accordance with proper practices;
- that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met; and
- is not inconsistent with the Harbour's governance arrangements."

## Other matters

We have no other matters we need to bring to your attention.

Yours sincerely

Derwyn Owen

for and on behalf of Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales