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REGIONAL CONSORTIA SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANT (RCSIG) 2020/21 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT

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SUBSTANTIAL ASSURANCE

A sound system of governance, risk management and control exists, with internal controls operating effectively and being consistently applied to support the achievement of objectives in the area audited.

SUMMARY

An audit of the Regional Consortia School Improvement Grant (RCSIG) claim for 2020/2021 was undertaken by Internal Audit as per the requirements of the Grant Terms and Conditions.

A total of £43,501,336 was received from the Welsh Government (a total of four funding letters received between July 2020 and March 2021).

This funding was distributed to Councils / CSC as follows:-

| Council / CSC | £ |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Cardiff Council | 12,009,649 |
| Rhondda Cynon Taf | 8,306,884 |
| The Vale of Glamorgan | 4,881,572 |
| Bridgend | 4,958,286 |
| Merthyr Tydfil | 2,154,014 |
| CSC | 11,183,527 |
| CSC (Direct to Schools) | 7,404 |
| Total | 43,501,336 |

FINDINGS

- Each Council has submitted their Local Authority Statement of Expenditure to the grants officer in the CSC.
- Authorised signatories of each Local Authority and Internal Audit Section have signed each Local Authority Statement of Expenditure.
- The Consolidated statement to be returned to WG accurately reflects the funding received / incurred by each Council and the CSC.

CONCLUSION

Based on the findings, substantial assurance can be placed on the control environment.

RECOMMENDATION

No recommendations have been made following this audit.