

Appendix 2b: Audits Revisited

Purpose of these audits

To assess whether the actions agreed in the original audit have been implemented and are now effectively embedded into the day-to-day operation of the service.

School Revisited

Original Objective

To assess whether individual schools have adequate and effective governance, information and asset management as well as financial management and reporting arrangements in place.

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Results

Fully implemented	Substantially implemented	Partially implemented	Not implemented	Unable to retest
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The College has made very good progress in addressing the issues raised in the original report and therefore strengthening its Governance, Information and Asset Management and Financial Management and Reporting arrangements.

Two recommended actions are not applicable at this time given the College is in special measures. It had developed and approved the recommended multi-year improvement and financial plans however these are currently not the basis of managing the College. It is currently required to work to shorter, more specific Ofsted approved improvement plans.

As the College no longer has income generating activities, this action is also now not applicable.

With regard to the outstanding issues:

- the Finance Director is currently reviewing all finance staff's Job Descriptions as part of a review of the structure and skills of the finance team
- action is underway to tag and log all non-IT equipment
- the annual review of current contracts and use of contractors will be extended to look for areas where the cumulative spend is over £50k.

Action is still required to develop:

- a formalised, documented staff leaver process that includes a check to remove the person's access to all information systems
- a college wide asset register.

Once the new asset management system is in place, an exercise will be undertaken to assess whether:

- all assets can be accounted for
- the condition of assets is known so it can be used to inform both maintenance and replacement programmes.