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Dear David,

**Statement of Accounts: Generating Rural Opportunities Within (GROW) South Antrim Rural Development Joint Committee 2012-13**

I enclose the Statement of Accounts for Generating Rural Opportunities Within South Antrim Rural Development Joint Committee for the year ended 31 March 2013, including the Local Government Auditor's report, which were certified by the Local Government Auditor on 30 October 2013.

I would remind you of Regulation 6 of the Local Government (Accounts and Audit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 and the requirement on the Council to publish these accounts. In this regard, the Department of Environment, in Circular LG/04/08, have stated that good practice might include placing the accounts on the Council's website and placing copies in town halls and offices and similar public buildings of the Council. The document placed on the website should be in 'Portable Document Format' (PDF).

I would also remind you of the requirements under Regulation 12, that as soon as reasonably possible after conclusion of the audit, the Council is required to give notice by advertising that the audit has been concluded and that the Statement of Accounts is available for inspection by any member of the public and including:

- a) a statement of the rights conferred on members of the public by Article 16 of the 2005 Order; and
- b) the address at which, and the hours during which, those rights may be exercised.

Please let me know when the notice of conclusion of the audit has been advertised and send me copies of the advertisements.

Yours sincerely

Peter O'Sullivan  
Audit Manager