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From: Jackie Bellard <Jackie.Bellard@uk.gt.com>
Sent: 02 October 2017 13:04
To: Sharon Coe
Subject: RE: RE FW: Audit report

Hi

Yes the opinion is not qualified.

I agreed that we would change it on the grounds that we seem to have given you the impression that it would be ok if you advertised the period correctly in 2016/17 and that in the 2 days that were not covered by the correct period we did not receive any communications from electors who could have thought they had rights but did not.

Hope this helps

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From: Sharon Coe [mailto:sharon@whetstonepc.org.uk]
Sent: 02 October 2017 11:27
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Hi Jackie,

Thank you for your revised opinion on our Audit this year, I was on holiday last week so have come into the great news about your decision to change the opinion.

Can I just ask as you have acknowledged in the email trail below (copied for ease)?

"I have looked at the detail of the public rights period for 2015/16 and see it was 2 working days longer than that required by the regulations.

As it was too long rather than too short and did cover the first 10 working days in July we may be able to consider moving the issue to other matters rather than a qualification."

Does this now mean that our 2015/2016 audit was "matters reported" and not a qualified as we did make the point that you are in fact making, namely that it was longer rather than shorter period. We did make representations at the time but we were told that this couldn't be changed and we did feel that this was unfair, hence the original phone call to yourselves to get it right this year. We had no other issues reported last year. Can this be looked at please. We do pride ourselves at Whetstone Parish Council at getting it right.

Kind regards

Sharon Coe

From: Jackie Bellard <Jackie.Bellard@uk.gt.com>
Sent: 27 September 2017 18:07
To: sharon@whetstonepc.org.uk
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Subject: Revised opinion
Attachments: Whetstone EACAR 2017 LCS276.pdf

Hi

I have amended the opinion to move the issues reported to other matters acknowledging that we gave you incorrect advice earlier in the year.

We will send you the hard copy in the post in the next couple of days.

Regards

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