### **CAWSTON GRANGE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Management Letter Report

Year ended 31 August 2024

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# Section Five INTERNAL CONTROLS ISSUES.

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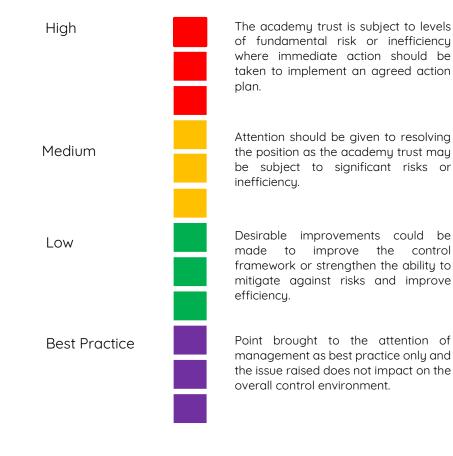
The academy trust's management is responsible for the identification, assessment, management and monitoring of risk, for developing, operating and monitoring the system of internal control and for providing assurance to the Board that it has done so.

Our audit is not designed to test all internal controls or identify all areas of control weakness. However, where, as part of our testing, we identify any control weaknesses, we will report these to the academy trust.

In consequence, our work cannot be relied upon necessarily to disclose defalcations or other irregularities, or to include all possible improvements in internal control that a more extensive special examination might develop.

We would be pleased to discuss any further work in this regard with the Board.

Our testing to date has identified the following significant control weaknesses which we consider should be brought to the Board's attention. We have a system of grading our control weaknesses. Each weakness is graded based on the potential risk level to the academy trust:



#### CURRENT YEAR POINTS.

<b>Risk rating</b>	Weakness	Risk	Recommendation	Management response
	Income Recognition			
		Risk that income within the financial statements is	Ensure the correct grant	Noted by management
Low	Incorrect Recognition of Pupil	being understated and the financial statements	allocation is being accrued at	
	Premium Grant income and accrued	do not show the true position of income and	year end.	
	income due to using prior year	accrued income.		
	figures for calculation. Minimal error			
	of £206 noted.			

#### **PREVIOUS YEAR POINTS.**

Trade creditors			
Outstanding invoices which were paid in September 2023 are not on the aged creditors report.	Misstating trade creditors can lead to either an overstatement or understatement of an academy's liabilities on the balance sheet. An understatement may present a misleadingly positive financial position.	To mitigate the risk of trade creditors being misstated, the client should maintain robust internal controls, follow generally accepted accounting principles, and perform regular reconciliations and reviews of their accounts payable.	This point has been noted again in the current year as invoices totalling £18,191 were identified from our review of invoices paid in September 2024. Point carried forward.

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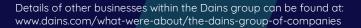
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