

DEVON AUDIT PARTNERSHIP – RESULTS FROM CIPFA BENCHMARK EXERCISE
Report of the County Treasurer

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to confirmation by the Committee before taking effect.

Recommendation: that the Committee

1. **Notes** the results from the 2013/14 CIPFA benchmark exercise

Summary

The attached report highlights the results from the CIPFA benchmarking exercise for 2013/14. DAP submitted data relating to the internal audit service provided to Plymouth City Council; we selected to use our Plymouth data as this is seen as being representative of DAP overall.

This is the 5th year that we have participated in the club, and so now have good information that helps us identify current and potential future trends and directions of travel.

The results from the survey were provided early June 2014. The results compare information provided from 47 Unitary authorities. As would be expected these authorities range in size and complexity and range from Anglesey to Cornwall to Tower Hamlets.

The results confirm that we are better or in line with our comparator group in the overwhelming majority of indicators. The indicators confirm that the **Net cost to LA per chargeable day** is in the lower quartile.

The CIPFA results are useful to provide reassurance to senior management and members that the Partnership continues to provide a cost effective internal audit service, and that this service is delivering assurance in line with other audit teams.

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Electoral Divisions: All
Local Government Act 1972

List of Background Papers

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Nil

There are no equality issues associated with this report