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I have carried out an Internal Audit of the Town Council's books and records in accordance with the Council's requirements and planned coverage under the guidelines of Governance and Accountability for Local Councils. My Internal Audit and this Report are undertaken in order to assist the Town Council in completing the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2023/24 and it is not a replacement for the External Audit.

This work has been carried out on a sample basis in order to provide an assessment of compliance with the relevant policy and controls that are expected to be in operation during the above financial year. Where areas of concern are encountered additional work is undertaken to ascertain the extent of the problem and to form an opinion as to the effect on Council finances. Advice can then be taken to correct the situation and the Town Council can then agree further controls where necessary to ensure future compliance with regulations.

My audit has covered the work carried out by the Town Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer, and other staff of the Council ensuring that all relevant regulations have been met and the Council's resolutions have been carried out in a proper, timely and correct manner.

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I have given a "Not Covered" response to Section K as this does not apply to the Town Council.

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In conclusion, my inspection of Dronfield Town Council's books, records and procedures has not found any matters that should be brought before the Council for further action. The Internal Control system in place during 2023/24 was working in an effective manner.

J S Marriott

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20th May 2024