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Dear Trustees

REPORT TO THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE

As part of the audit and regularity assurance engagement for the year ended 31 August 2022 we are required to report our audit findings to the Trustees.

These matters came to light during the course of our normal audit tests which are designed to assist us in forming our opinion on the financial statements. Our tests may not necessarily disclose all errors or irregularities and should not be relied upon to do so. However, if any irregularity did come to our attention during our audit tests, we would, of course, inform you immediately.

There were no control issues to report.

We have complied with the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard and all threats to our independence, as identified to you in our planning communication letter dated 3 October 2022, have been properly addressed through appropriate safeguards. No additional facts or matters have arisen during the course of the audit that we wish to draw to your attention and we confirm that we are independent and able to express an objective opinion on the financial statements.

This report has been prepared for the sole use of the Trustees of Engage, Enrich, Excel Academies. We understand that you are required to provide a copy of this report to the Education and Skills Funding Agency. With the exception of this, this report must not be shown to third parties without our prior consent. Consent is, and will only be granted on the basis that such reports are not prepared with the interest of anyone other than the academy in mind and that we accept no duty or responsibility to any other party. No responsibility is accepted by James Cowper Kreston towards any party acting or refraining from action because of this report.

Finally, we would like to express our thanks to the Trustees and the academy's staff for the assistance afforded to us during the audit.

Yours faithfully

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