

08 February 2022

## Public Spending Code - Quality Assurance Reporting 2021

Dear Chief Executive,

Thank you for submitting the 2020 Quality Assurance reports required under the Public Spending Code to NOAC in accordance with the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform (D/PER).

The Report was published November 2021 and is available on the NOAC website at <a href="https://noac.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Final-PSC-2020-Report-21112.pdf">https://noac.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Final-PSC-2020-Report-21112.pdf</a>

For this year, the requirements are similar. Accompanying this letter is the:

- CCMA Guidance Note for the Local Government Sector on the Public Spending Code (PSC) Quality Assurance Requirements
- DPER Checklist
- DPER Inventory

DPER have confirmed that there have been no changes since last year's report and thus, no update is required to the documentation or guidelines.

If you have any queries on the methodology of the Public Spending Code please contact <u>finance&business@lgma.ie</u>

• The deadline for submission of the 2021 QA report is <u>Friday 27 May 2022<sup>1</sup></u>. The inventory is to be completed and returned as EXCEL spreadsheets in the attached format. The checklists should be completed and returned as a WORD document. Please note the following:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The deadline was later extended to Tuesday 31 May 2022.

- Only the Excel and Word documents provided by DPER should be returned and they should be editable with whole unrounded figures recorded i.e. €1,000,058.00 not "€1m".
- Cells and headings should not be amended or moved.
- Additional cells or headings should not be inserted into the documents. Any additional information should be provided by way of a detailed note.
- If there is no information to provide for a particular question this should be left blank or marked as n/a where indicated.

Submissions that do not follow the above will be returned.

Please ensure that the required documents are submitted by email to <u>info@noac.ie</u> by the deadline of Friday 31 May 2022.

Thank you again for your co-operation in this matter.

NOAC Secretariat

Cc: Local Authority Public Spending Code QA staff from 2020 report.