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Dear Kevin

## Local Authority Governance of Subsidiary Entities

In the light of the Controller and Auditor-General's report to Parliament on governance, today our Council resolved to seek clarification from the Office of the Auditor-General in relation to the Council's General Manager, Howard Stone, also being a director of **CentrePort**.

This course of action was taken by the Council so as to tidy up the issue "once and for all" and was certainly not a reflection of any discomfort of the Council in respect of our current arrangements.

As background, I attach a copy of my report (01.245). I would **also be** pleased to elaborate further on the points made in my report if you so wish.

Yours sincerely

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