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Hi Kim,

I prepare and carry out the independent examination for lots of small charities (up to £500K income).

I had a look at the consultation and didn't understand it at all! So it's not possible to comment directly, except that I doubt if hardly any of the charities would either.

You'll be aware the charity sector is highly skewed to a large number of small charities run by volunteers.

I encourage the smallest to use the Charity Commission R&P template, but most accounts are prepared using Excel or Word.

(The CFDG has spent years looking for a cost effective accounts software package for small charities but none is yet available.)

I expect you will have to accept pdf versions for many years or the charities will be pushed into using large professional commercial firms of accountants which will be very expensive.

Kind regards,

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