NQ Verification 2016–17 Key Messages Round 2

Section 1: Verification group information

Verification group name:	Business Management
Verification event/visiting information	Event
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National Courses/Units verified:

H282 74   National 4   Business Assignment (Added Value Unit)

Section 2: Comments on assessment

Assessment approaches

Centres are now tackling the added value unit appropriately following the guidelines in the unit assessment pack.

There were some excellent examples of business reports at this level, both in presentation format and in written report format. Both of these formats are perfectly acceptable and allow candidates to meet the criteria for this unit.

All centres were accepted during this verification round.

Assessment judgements

Centres demonstrated a good knowledge of the assessment judgements and applied them correctly to the task.

If a centre submits candidate evidence in presentation format it is good practice to annotate each of the slides, clearly showing which outcome had been met. The vast majority of centres had good evidence of internal verification and it is hoped this would continue in the future.

03 Section 3: General comments

Thee added value unit appears to be working well with many candidates showing a real flair in their responses, giving much more than the minimum required to pass.

Internal verification should continue as an example of good practice and also to ensure the final judgement submitted by the centre is accurate and clear.

Centres are reminded that they must have an effective internal quality assurance system in place and that SQA has produced an Internal Verification Toolkit which provides advice and support on designing and implementing the best model and approach to internal verification depending on your subject, centre and candidate needs. It can be found at www.sqa.org.uk/IVtoolkit.