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DELOITTE WINS £2.6m AUDIT CONTRACT FOR TWO GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS



Deloitte's public sector assurance and advisory practice headed by Leeds-based partner Paul Thomson has won its biggest contract to date worth £2.6m which will see it carrying out audit work on behalf of the National Audit Office for two key Government departments.

The contract, involving both the Department of Health and the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, was awarded by the National Audit Office after Mr Thomson and his team pitched for it against a large number of competitors. KPMG had previously held the contract over a four year period.

"This is a very significant win for us and something of a major coup," said Mr Thomson who joined Deloitte in April last year from PwC as part of a planned expansion by Deloitte of its public sector practice across the North of England. "We will have a team of up to 15 people working on the external audit of both Departments with the work beginning in the autumn."

He added: "We are now up to 70 wins and there is more work in the pipeline across all spheres of the public sector. We see this as a key area and are looking to deliver 25 per cent year on year growth this year."

Mr Thomson, who heads a 34-strong team in the North, has extensive experience and expertise in supporting public sector organisations develop Board effectiveness and corporate governance best practice, improve productivity, efficiency and service quality and strengthen financial governance. ENDS

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