

Wall Parish Council (Lichfield District)

ANNUAL RETURN - Section 2 : Statement of Accounts

Explanation of variances

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Box No.	Description	31/03/2025 £	31/03/2026 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Notes
1	Balances brought fwd	20411.81	17493.00				BALANCE B/F AGREES
2	Annual precept	11200.00	14000.00	2800.00	25%	Yes	1. Increase of £1000 to ear marked funds to provide additional election costs should this be needed. 2. To cover both informed and expected increases in contracts, purchases, maintenance and staff costs. 3. To maintain the level of general funds which have been slightly depleted over the course of the financial year 2025-26
3	Total other receipts	2618.54	2046.52	-572.02	22%	Yes	Donation box receipts were lower than anticipated . - £172.02 funds from grant in 2024/25 were not received in 25/26 -£400
4	Staff Costs	3718.83	4659.83	941.00	25%	Yes	1. Annual pay award 2. hours worked raised from 5 hours p/w to 8 hrs p/w 3. attainment of CILCA qualification raised pay level from 12 to 13
5	Loan interest/capital repayments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	No	not applicable
6	Total other payments	13018.52	10793.49	-2225.03	17%	Yes	Invoice for 2,200 not paid . This is pending payment if and when the contractor produces evidence of insurance certificates and breakdown of work completed
7	Balances carried forward	17493.00	18086.20	593.20	3%	No	
8	Total Cash and Short Term Investments	17493.00	18086.20	593.20	3%	No	

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9	Total Fixed Assets and Long Term Investments	20786.00	22099.75	1313.75	6%	No	REMOVED 6 items of machinery.- classed as £1 'de minimis'.brush cutter; Stihl hedge trimmer; Husqvarna push mower;Stihl strimmer; Husqvarna hedge trimmer'Makhita 250 leaf blower 1 Projector £580. Assets removed = £586 ADDED 3 picnic tables for £1899.75 NET
10	Total Borrowings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	No	not applicable

This report is intended as a guide to the variances you may need to explain. The specific requirements vary between external auditors so please check the requirements shown on the pro forma provided to your council

Please note a breakdown of approved reserves will also be required if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept value (Box 2)