

Halton Parish Council
ANNUAL RETURN - Section 2 : Statement of Accounts

Explanation of variances

This is prepared based on information in "Governance and Accountability for Local Councils : a Practitioner's Guide"

Important note: These figures have been prepared on a RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS basis.

Box No.	Description	Last Year £	31/03/2024 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Notes
8	Total Cash and Short Term Investments	56309.34	66234.01	9924.67	18%	Yes	15/06/2023 - Cilca Training - £350 26/09/2023 – Wildflower Verge - £399.98 18/05/2023 - Chery Picker Hire – Coronation Flag £363.24 16/11/2023, 30/01/2024,15/08/2023 – Newsletter Printing £684 15/06/2023 – A new Village Hall sign - £4534.30 11/05/2023 – Pest Control – £108.00 02/11/2023 – Fire Risk Assessment - £660 05/01/2024 - Redecoration of the village hall and second stage damp fix - £1878 14/02/2024 – Noticeboard improvements – £217.20 26/09/2023 Scribe accounting system - £657 05/10 Painting Maintenance £220 Total £10,071.72
9	Total Fixed Assets and Long Term Investments	402859.00	403232.89	373.89	0%	No	
10	Total Borrowings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	No	

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)