

Section 1 – Accounting statements 2014/15 for

Enter name of reporting body here: **GREAT SOMERFORD PARISH** Council/Meeting

Readers should note that throughout this annual return references to a 'local council' or 'council' also relate to a parish meeting.

1	Balances brought forward	13665 13500	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2	(+ Annual precept	6634 6726	Total amount of precept received or receivable in the year. Excludes any grants received.
3	(+ Total other receipts	53712 7329	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept received (line 2). Include any grants received here.
4	(-) Staff costs	3575 3704	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include salaries and wages, PAYE and NI (employees and employers), pension contributions and employment expenses.
5	(-) Loan interest/capital repayments	— —	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the council's borrowings (if any).
6	(-) All other payments	56936 12432	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7	(=) Balances carried forward	13500 11419	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) – (4+5+6)
8	Total cash and short term investments	13500 11419	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March - to agree with bank reconciliation.
9	Total fixed assets plus other long term investments and assets	64006 69990	The original Asset and Investment Register value of all fixed assets, plus other long term assets owned by the council as at 31 March
10	Total borrowings	— —	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).
11	Disclosure note Trust funds (including charitable)	YES	The council acts as sole trustee for and is responsible for managing trust funds or assets.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2015 the accounting statements in this annual return present fairly the financial position of the council and its income and expenditure, or properly present receipts and payments, as the case may be.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer

[Signature]

Date 15.5.15.

I confirm that these accounting statements were approved by the council on this date:

13.5.15.

and recorded as minute reference:

017.15H

Signed by Chair of the meeting approving these accounting statements.

X *[Signature]*

Date X 15.5.15.

Section 4 – Annual internal audit report 2014/15 to

GREAT SOMERFORD PARISH

Council/Meeting

The council's internal audit, acting independently and on the basis of an assessment of risk, carried out a selective assessment of compliance with relevant procedures and controls expected to be in operation during the financial year ended 31 March 2015.

Internal audit has been carried out in accordance with the council's needs and planned coverage. On the basis of the findings in the areas examined, the internal audit conclusions are summarised in this table. Set out below are the objectives of internal control and alongside are the internal audit conclusions on whether, in all significant respects, the control objectives were being achieved throughout the financial year to a standard adequate to meet the needs of the council.

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| A | Appropriate accounting records have been kept properly throughout the year. | ✓ |
| B | The council's financial regulations have been met, payments were supported by invoices, all expenditure was approved and VAT was appropriately accounted for. | ✓ |
| C | The council assessed the significant risks to achieving its objectives and reviewed the adequacy of arrangements to manage these. | ✓ |
| D | The annual precept requirement resulted from an adequate budgetary process; progress against the budget was regularly monitored; and reserves were appropriate. | ✓ |
| E | Expected income was fully received, based on correct prices, properly recorded and promptly banked; and VAT was appropriately accounted for. | ✓ |
| F | Petty cash payments were properly supported by receipts, all petty cash expenditure was approved and VAT appropriately accounted for. | |
| G | Salaries to employees and allowances to members were paid in accordance with council approvals, and PAYE and NI requirements were properly applied. | ✓ |
| H | Asset and investments registers were complete and accurate and properly maintained. | ✓ |
| I | Periodic and year-end bank account reconciliations were properly carried out. | ✓ |
| J | Accounting statements prepared during the year were prepared on the correct accounting basis (receipts and payments or income and expenditure), agreed to the cash book, were supported by an adequate audit trail from underlying records, and where appropriate debtors and creditors were properly recorded. | ✓ |
| K | Trust funds (including charitable) The council met its responsibilities as a trustee. | ✓ |

N/A

For any other risk areas identified by the council (list any other risk areas below or on separate sheets if needed) adequate controls existed:

Name of person who carried out the internal audit *BARRIE P. WILKINS*

Signature of person who carried out the internal audit *B P Wilkins*

Date *13/04/2015*

If the response is 'no' please state the implications and action being taken to address any weakness in control identified (add separate sheets if needed).

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**Note: If the response is 'not covered' please state when the most recent internal audit work was done in this area and when it is next planned, or, if coverage is not required, internal audit must explain why not (add separate sheets if needed).